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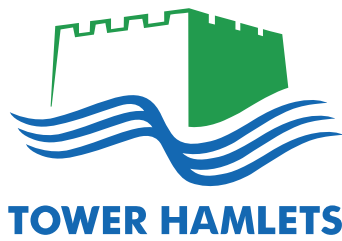
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Free school meals for all primary kids

WHAT'S TICKLING AINSLEY'S TASTE BUDS?



CELEBRITY chef Ainsley Harriott was the star attraction, along with the food, at the Taste Brick Lane awards fun day held last Saturday, March 22. Turn to pages 14 & 15 for the full report and pictures.

BY IAN READ

EVERY primary school pupil in Tower Hamlets will be given free school meals from the start of the next academic year in September.

At a meeting last Wednesday, the council agreed to provide funding so that all 25,271 schoolchildren from reception through to year 6 will receive a free meal each day.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "This is great news for parents and children in Tower Hamlets.

"We know that happy, healthy children make better learners and this measure will only help drive through further improvements in the borough's education performance."

The policy will cost an estimated £2.675 million, and was agreed after an amendment by the Labour group to the mayor's original recommendations about the source of funding.

Labour spokesman Cllr Carlo Gibbs said: "We are proud that all parties in the council supported our free school meal proposal which will help

hard-pressed families and help to tackle child poverty."

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children, schools and families, said: "Residents of this borough are always the focus of the council's activities, and we know what a huge difference free school meals will make to families in Tower Hamlets."

At the start of the current academic year last September, the council became one of the first local authorities to introduce free school meals for its

youngest primary school pupils – those in reception and year 1.

This provided free meals to just over 10,000 children, and the extension of the policy will mean an extra 15,233 pupils in years 3 to 6 will benefit.

It has been funded for one academic year and future funding will need to be agreed by a budget meeting of the council.

■ The school meals menu is available to be viewed, downloaded or printed from www.myschoollunch.co.uk/towerhamlets



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Wards will change

New ward boundaries will come into place in time for the elections, with the number of wards rising from 17 to 20.

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Three elections in one day

There are three elections on May 22: for a borough mayor, for 45 councillors and for London members of the European Parliament. Residents must be register – by May 6 – to be able to vote.

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THREE friends are preparing to run the London Marathon to raise money for St Joseph's Hospice near Bethnal Green. Laura Woodley and Jason Challiss (pictured left) and Sarah Barker all live or work on the Isle of Dogs and are aiming to raise £6,000 for the hospice, which cared for Sarah's mother-in-law, Vivien Shields, who died in 2007. So far, they have raised more than £2,000 through bucket collections, a gift wrapping session at Asda on the Isle of Dogs, and a comedy night. Mother-of-two Laura, 33, said training had been difficult but a visit to the hospice helped inspire the group. During the Marathon, on April 13, they plan to slow down on the Island to thank their friends, family and supporters. To donate visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/jasonchalliss>

Watchdog praises May election preparations

BY SUSAN MULLIGAN

THE Electoral Commission has praised Tower Hamlets for the high quality of its preparations for the mayoral, local government and European Parliamentary elections which take place on May 22.

The national watchdog said the council had taken measures beyond most local authorities to combat voter fraud and that the plans and processes put in place would ensure fair elections in May.

Work the council has done with the police and the Commission means that any allegations of fraud will be dealt with

thoroughly and swiftly. And election officers have increased the number of visits they make to multi-occupied properties to check voters present at them.

Borough police commander Dave Stringer said: "The Metropolitan Police are pleased that Tower Hamlets has been recognised for the quality of its joint partnership work in preventing and detecting electoral malpractice."

John Williams, returning officer for Tower Hamlets, said: "The elections will decide who will run the council and the services delivered in the borough for the next four years.

"It is essential that the elections in May 2014 are free

and fair and we have put in place rigorous processes to ensure that this is the case.

"Our voting processes will continue to be amongst the best in the country."

Other measures that the borough has put in place include:

- Police will prevent large groups of supporters congregating around polling stations and obstructing voters. There will be a limit on numbers of activists who can gather outside.
- Extra training will be given to polling officers around challenging voters they have suspicions about.
- Confirmation of residency letters have been sent to every property in the borough to

check who is registered and giving new residents the opportunity to register.

■ All late registration and absent vote applications will be verified against other council records.

■ Party campaigners will be discouraged from handling postal votes and must not assist with the completion of ballot papers.

■ A direct dedicated email address for agents and candidates to report concerns was introduced from February.

■ Allegations of fraud made to the returning officer will be investigated and responded to within 24 hours. If the allegations are passed to the police, they will respond within 48 hours.

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Move will help regeneration

The council is planning to move the Town Hall from Poplar to the Royal London Hospital site in Whitechapel, a move the mayor said would be “the catalyst for this regeneration project”.

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Free safety advice

To request a home fire safety visit from the fire brigade, visit your local station or log on to...

WWW.LONDON-FIRE.GOV.UK

News

Masterplan for Whitechapel

BY MEHREEN HUSSAIN

FINAL details for the development of the Whitechapel area were unveiled last week.

The council, key partners and local stakeholders gathered to formally launch the recently adopted Whitechapel Vision Masterplan on Thursday, March 27.

It was also announced that the former mayor of London, Ken Livingstone, had agreed to advise on the regeneration scheme.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: “This is a fantastic opportunity

to take advantage of the potential around Whitechapel to build homes, new retail and office space as well as to provide improved open space.”

The council is also planning to move the Town Hall from its current location in Poplar to the Royal London Hospital site in Whitechapel, a move Mayor Rahman said would be “the catalyst for this regeneration project”.

He added: “Building on the already thriving market and town centre, this will create a district to complement the Olympic site, Canary Wharf and the City.”

Mr Livingstone said: “I look



Ken Livingstone at the meeting last week

forward to working with Mayor Lutfur Rahman to deliver this regeneration project.

“Whitechapel is a thriving

area and I’m delighted that projects like the Olympics and Crossrail have created the momentum to enable it to happen.”

Drawing on the arrival of Crossrail in Whitechapel in 2018 and the benefits this will bring to the area, the new masterplan sets out how the council will work with its partners to transform the area for both visitors and residents.

Sir Edward Lister, the deputy mayor of London for planning, said: “The arrival of Crossrail in 2018 will launch a new era for Whitechapel, stimulating investment in commercial activities, retail and housing and sparking massive regeneration.

“The Whitechapel Vision will help us to maximise this once-in-a-generation opportunity.”

Cat to rescue in house fire

HOUSEHOLDERS have been reminded of the importance of installing smoke alarms after a resident whose basement kitchen was on fire only escaped after being woken by her cat.

Fire crews from Poplar and Millwall were called to the house in Clemence Street, Limehouse just before 6am last Thursday, March 27.

The woman was treated for smoke inhalation at the scene by ambulance service crews.

The cat, two others and two dogs all got out safely.

Watch manager Neil Dickinson said: “There was no smoke alarm in the house and the owner only woke up because her cat was meowing in her face.

“Meowing cats are no replacement for working smoke alarms and had she not woken up, this incident could have had tragic consequences.”

The fire damaged a small amount of the basement and its cause is being investigated.

Residents can request a home safety visit from the fire brigade who will offer advice and, where appropriate, fit a smoke alarm for free – details at www.london-fire.gov.uk

DETECTIVES are appealing for help in identifying three men who raided the Roman Road branch of Iceland in Bow, armed with a handgun and metal pole.

They entered the cashier’s office at about 8.50pm, shortly after the store closed to customers on Friday, March 14.

They terrorised two members of staff and stole a large quantity of cash as well as forcibly searching one of them, a young woman, and taking her mobile phone.

As they left they threatened a third member of staff with the gun.



The robbers escaped via the roof by using a ladder to reach a building site next door. Police believe this was also their route in.

Detective Sergeant Andrew McGuire said staff at the store had been left



traumatised by the robbery. He said: “I am appealing to the public to view the CCTV and contact the police if they can name these men. “I am also appealing to anyone who saw any suspicious behaviour in and



around the store in the days before the robbery to get in touch.”

All calls will be treated with sensitivity. Call 101 or, to remain anonymous, Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Sign up for job training

YOUNG people looking for training to help them into employment are being encouraged to get in touch with the council’s Skillsmatch service.

Last year more than 60 young people gained an NVQ after completing the mayor’s apprenticeship scheme, which offered successful candidates a range of placements in fields including administration, health and social care,

building control and catering. Many of them secured permanent positions after completing the programme.

Taslima Begum, 18, who is currently on an apprenticeship at the Town Hall, said: “This gives me the chance to gain a qualification while I get experience from working.

“So far it has been great fun and I have learnt a lot.”

Local job seekers wanting to take advantage of the free

services on offer should sign up to Skillsmatch by calling 7364 3727 or visiting www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/Skillsmatch

Cllr Shafique Haque, cabinet member for jobs and skills, said: “I’m pleased to see so many young people benefiting from the schemes we offer.”

The National Apprenticeship Service also offers a range of opportunities and advice.

Visit www.appenticeships.org.uk for more information.

News in brief

Build your skills

RESIDENTS interested in learning a building trade are being invited to enrol on the next free Construct Your Career course, run by housing organisation East Thames and the Building Crafts College.

The course offers training in five trades and participants will be supported to find a job after completion of the scheme.

Applicants must be 18 or over, and unemployed, and must register their interest by April 7.

The course starts on April 10.

For details call 8522 2048.

Silence for Benn

A MINUTE’S silence was held at a meeting of the full council last Wednesday, March 26 for Bob Crow, general secretary of the RMT union, and veteran politician Tony Benn, who both died earlier this month.

Wednesday was also the 43rd anniversary of Bangladesh Independence Day and the chamber remembered the three million people who died in the fight for independence.

WWI ceremony

A POPLAR tree, elms and poppy seeds will be planted at a ceremony on Tuesday, April 1 to commemorate the bombing in World War I of Upper North Street School in Poplar.

Pupils from Mayflower Primary School will take part in the ceremony on Tuesday which starts at 12.30pm.

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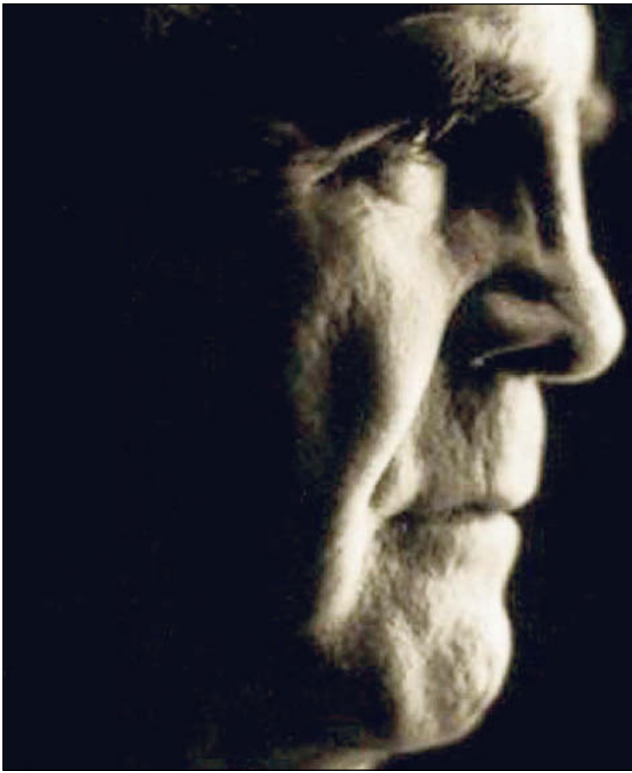
There are many people unaware of services rendered to our community by people who have gone unnoticed in the past. We tend to take for granted the kindness a few local residents have selflessly provided for years and I think it is time that one of these reluctant heroes get a little well deserved recognition. Mrs Doris Hail is one of those who have earned this recognition and our gratitude. She has spent half of her life selflessly catering to the older residents of the ocean estate in the east end of London.

Dot, as she is affectionately known to the members of the Emmott Close Senior Citizen club, has given almost 40 years of her life either running or helping to run the club. She is 88 years old yet she still faithfully opens the door of 27 Emmott Close and welcomes the elderly of the neighbourhood. There is always a cup of tea and sympathetic ear to listen to any troubles you might have. She offers companionship to the lonely, help to those who need it and she even manages to delight us with an occasional trip to the seaside or a surprise meal at a local restaurant. She will help you to knit a blanket or instruct you on how to cook a hearty recipe. There doesn't seem to be anything that Doris isn't willing to do for the Senior Citizen club members of the club.

We are sometime slow to recognise the good things that people like Doris do for their communities but we can't let her devotion and hard work go unnoticed without letting her know that she is sincerely appreciated.

Hip Hip Hooray Doris Hail and thank you for being you.

Sincerely
Ann Moore (and all the members.)



EAST End boxing promoter Mickey Duff died last weekend aged 84. Born Monek Prager in Krakow, Poland, he was raised in Aldgate by his rabbi father and began boxing aged 15. He went on to become the most powerful man in British boxing. As well as negotiating world title fights for boxers such as Stepney's Charlie Magri, Bethnal Green's John H Stracey, heavyweight Frank Bruno and east London's Maurice Hope, Mr Duff was also involved with fights involving Muhammad Ali, Sonny Liston, Mike Tyson and Sugar Ray Robinson to name a few. He died on March 22 and leaves his partner Gloria Weisfield, his son Gary and two grandchildren.



Take care of yourself

Women are entitled to receive free vitamins for themselves and their children from pregnancy until their child's 4th birthday.

SEE BELOW

Free vitamins for a healthy start

BY ANNA WILSON

FREE vitamins will be available to all pregnant women, new mums and children under the age of four from this week.

Previously, only women 18 and under or low income families were eligible for the national Healthy Start scheme that also provides vouchers for fruit, vegetables and milk.

The council is now opening up the offer more widely, because of local evidence that pregnant women and young children would benefit from taking vitamins.

On average, only ten per cent of the daily requirement of vitamin D comes from food sources. The main source of vitamin D is sunlight but a lack of exposure, particularly during the winter months, can lead to low levels in the body.

Dr Somen Banerjee, director of public health, said: "There is a greater need for vitamin D during periods of growth and it's even more important to take whilst breastfeeding.

"In Tower Hamlets it is particularly important to ensure that pregnant women and children under four years get an adequate intake of vitamin D as there is evidence that a large proportion of the population are deficient or have low levels of vitamin D."

Healthy Start vitamins are specifically made for pregnant and breastfeeding women and young children, to help their bodies absorb calcium, keep bones healthy and ensure un-



Sarah Rob with her youngest child Noah

born babies grow strong bones and teeth.

Breastfeeding support worker Sarah Rob, from Stepney, who has three children, promotes the Healthy Start scheme to other mums.

"As a mother, learning about the importance of taking vitamins has been useful, and reinforces the messages I promote. I look forward to receiving the vitamins as I will now be entitled to them," she said.

"I think women forget to look after themselves and get busy doing so many other things.

"Being a mother is a lifelong commitment and it's impor-

tant for us to take care of our children as much as ourselves."

Cllr Abdul Asad, cabinet member for health and wellbeing, said: "The main source of vitamin D is from the sun, but in the UK, it can be difficult generate the amount of vitamin D our bodies require.

"Healthy Start provides the recommended daily dosages for both mother and child."

The vitamins will be free from Tuesday, April 1 – to receive them women need to register through their midwife or health visitor by filling out a form.

To learn more visit www.healthystart.nhs.uk

Employers help the homeless get ready for work

HOMELESS people looking for work will pitch to London businesses at an employment event run by a national charity for single homeless people.

The event hosted by the charity Crisis, based in Spitalfields, will provide a chance for homeless people to meet potential employers, take part in CV writing workshops, practise pitches with

an HR specialist and take part in mock interviews, all to move them closer to employment.

Businesses including Waitrose, Balfour Beatty and TNT Post will meet potential employees, discuss the types of job roles they need to fill and gain an insight into the importance of helping people make their journey out of home-

lessness through work. Last year the charity helped more than 300 people find paid roles across a range of employment sectors, including catering, hospitality, construction, social care and retail.

Crisis employment services offer training and one-to-one coaching to ensure homeless peo-

ple are ready for work. The specialist teams also work closely with businesses to understand their needs, so that they match suitable candidates to jobs that are on offer.

The London Employment Platform event will take place on Tuesday, April 1 from 12-4.30pm at 66 Commercial Street, Spitalfields.



Helping to change lives

Sport Relief has raised more than £53 million with the help of people like the children at Hermitage Primary School (left), money that will be used to change lives at home and abroad.

WWW.SPORTRELIEF.COM

Doors are open

The new Bow School is due to open in September 2014, taking both girls and boys in year 7.

WWW.BOW-SCHOOL.ORG.UK

Schools news



PUPILS, parents, governors and staff at Bigland Green Primary School in Shadwell have unveiled a huge patchwork, which shows characters from some of their favourite books.

It took three days for the participants, including 80 parents, to make the patchwork as part of celebrations to mark World Book Day. The finished product was unveiled at a special assembly.

News in brief

Boys put kettle on

BOW Boys School marked a historic occasion on March 11 when a tea party was held to welcome girls who will be joining the school in September.

Fifteen girls from ten primary schools were treated to afternoon tea and cake.

The event marks part of the school's transition, as Bow Boys also prepares to move to a new site at Twelvetreves Crescent.

Inspiring women

SIX professional women, including Bow and Bethnal Green MP Rushanara Ali, visited Central Foundation School in Bow to talk to pupils about their work and careers.

The event, which also featured speakers from the BBC, Bank of America Merrill Lynch and LinkedIn, was part of a campaign titled Inspiring Women,

which sends women from a wide range of occupations into state schools, to talk to girls about careers and education.

Visit www.inspiringthefuture.org for details.

Pupils hit the stage

EIGHT pupils from Morpeth School performed at the school theatre as part of National Theatre Connections – a nationwide celebration of new plays for young people.

The youngsters staged A Shop Selling Speech, written by Sabrina Mahfouz.

The piece is set in Egypt and its themes include freedom of speech, women's rights, government control and corruption.

Drama teacher Hannah Meltzer said: "I knew that our pupils would get behind it 100 per cent. The cast members, none of whom study drama, gave so much passion and commitment to their roles."

Pupils saddle up for Sport Relief

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

THE borough's schools joined in Sport Relief to get active while raising cash to change lives.

Staff and pupils from John Scurr Primary School in Bethnal Green worked in teams to cover as many miles as possible, running and cycling in Bethnal Green Gardens.

Sustrans, a charity which supports communities to make cheaper, healthier and cleaner journeys, helped organise the event and provided bicycles on the day.

Each class took turns to get in the saddle and pedal around the park in small groups.

And when they stopped cycling, the participants ran to further their mileage. They raised about £650.

Amy Berkhout from Sustrans said: "It was fantastic to see so many of the pupils at John



John Scurr Primary pupils get on their bikes

Scurr Primary School getting involved and coming together to not only cycle but do so for such a worthy cause."

Hermitage Primary School in Wapping hosted a fun day for parents and pupils.

Activities included a bake sale and football matches between pupils in year 6 and staff, and staff and parents.

The staff team beat the

parents 6-3 and £60 was raised from ticket sales. In all the school raised £1400.

Sports co-ordinator Elias Miah said: "Using the unity and spirit of sport is a great way to increase awareness of what is happening on our planet as well as raising funds for needy causes.

"It's been a tremendously fun day for everyone."

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News from the Mayor

Homes will bring lasting benefits

I WAS delighted to join celebrity chef Ainsley Harriott for a fantastic day to celebrate the best Brick Lane can offer.

I was pleased to help launch Taste Brick Lane and want to promote all our town centres, markets and attractions. Small businesses are the backbone of our community and contribute so much to the local economy.

Last week I joined residents to see the £220 million transformation of the Ocean Estate. More than 800 homes have been built and 1,200 have been refurbished. A new community centre has also been built.

I am sure this transformation will mean lasting improvements to the lives of residents, including employment benefits. The project has helped 78 local unemployed people find work.

As well as new homes, we are also building new schools to create the places our children need for their future success.

I visited Woolmore Primary School in Poplar this week, which is on target to complete its new building early next year. The £10m project will mean a larger, state-of-the-art school on the site, which will triple its intake.



LUTFUR RAHMAN | MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS

The announcement that every primary school pupil in the borough will be given free school meals, starting in September, was further good news.

This will help children become better learners and enjoy brighter, healthier futures.

Making our borough safer is one of my priorities and we have just installed new CCTV on the Aberfeldy estate. Since January this year council CCTV has helped police make 145 arrests.

As mayor, I get to meet many inspirational people who refuse to let adversity prevent them from living full lives.

My visit to the disability Action Day, organised by the council, reminded me how valuable council services are to all our residents.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman



LUTFUR RAHMAN | MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS

My diary

Monday, March 24

I visited Woolmore Primary School to announce that we will be tripling the capacity of the school by replacing the current building with a much larger, state-of-the-art school. This wonderful new school will make a real difference and is one of several examples of how we are taking action to cope with the expanding school population.

Wednesday, March 26

I visited a new nursery for two-year-olds in Burdett Road, Mile End. The project was completed with Global Kids, and will create 100 new sessional childcare places.

Thursday, March 27

In the afternoon I met a group of women taking part in a new work programme in partnership with the council and Skillsmatch. The programme will help support women in to employment and provide them with information and guidance along their journey.

Later I spoke at the launch of the Whitechapel Vision. This redevelopment is about initiating change for the benefit of residents, businesses and visitors in the area. I was joined by former London mayor Ken Livingstone, along with colleagues from across different sectors.

Monday, March 31

I will be holding my regular weekly surgery. If you would like to discuss any issues or concerns please contact my office and arrange an appointment – see contact details above.



Head teacher Judy Coles, Mayor Lutfur Rahman and school travel plan adviser John Rynell with pupils and the trophy

Youngsters get close to Tour de France trophy

BY SARAH MCLAUGHLIN

CHILDREN welcomed the Tour de France Grand Départ trophy to the borough.

More than 350 pupils from six schools attended the cycling event at Hague Primary School, Bethnal Green.

Organised by the council and hosted by Bikeworks, the event saw the children taking part in a time challenge on Rollapaluza static bikes, a visit from Dr Bike, a display from Inspire BMX and other cycling-related fun.

But the star attraction of the day was the trophy itself, which

is currently being taken along the British route of the race that is being held in July.

The Grand Départ of the 2014 race starts in Yorkshire on July 5 and finishes in London on the Mall two days later, coming through Tower Hamlets en route.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "The Tour de France is such an iconic race and we are proud to be part of the British stage.

"We look forward to welcoming the competitors as they race through Tower Hamlets on July 7.

"I hope that the children here today have been inspired by the Grand Départ trophy and

encouraged to cycle more."

Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed said: "Cycling is a great way to travel around the borough and keep fit at the same time.

"Our schools programme promotes participation in cycling and teaches the safest ways to cycle."

Judy Coles, head teacher of Hague School, said: "The children were excited to see the trophy and learn more about the Tour de France.

"They were also hugely enthused by the cycling activities; all who took part had a really good time. As a school we will

continue to promote cycling and cycling safety."

For more information about the Tour de France 2014 visit <http://letour.yorkshire.com>

■ The council runs cycle skills and safety sessions for anyone who lives, works or studies in Tower Hamlets.

To find out more visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/cycling or call 7364 4001 to book a session.

For more information about cycling in schools and school travel plans contact John Rymell, school travel plan adviser, on 7364 6918 or email john.rymell@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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Woolmore's new home

The new four-storey Woolmore Primary School is being built on the site of the former medical centre.

News

Primary places for the future

BY IAN READ

THE latest step in addressing future demand for primary school places in Tower Hamlets is on track.

The council is in the process of tripling the capacity of Woolmore Primary School in Poplar by replacing the current building with a much larger, state-of-the-art school.

The £10 million project started in July 2013 and is on schedule to be completed by July 2015. The current school capacity is 210, and the expansion will provide a further 420 school pupil places.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman, who visited the site last week, said: "This wonderful new school will make a real difference to the community. It is one of several examples of how we are taking action now to ensure we can cope with the expanding school population in Tower Hamlets."

The project is being completed in two phases by Bouygues UK. The new four-storey building is currently being constructed on the site of the former medical centre next to the existing school and is due to be completed by January 2015.

The children will move into their new environment and the existing school will be demolished and landscaped to create a series of outdoor play areas include nature areas, a

games area and running track.

The works are being funded from the government's Basic Need grant and a contribution from the section 106 funding arising from the Blackwall Reach redevelopment.

Head teacher Tracy Argent said: "The children, staff, governors and parents are all very excited by the new school."

"This is creating even more schools places for our children in a fantastic environment which allows us to provide the very best education possible."

It is projected that there will be about 8,000 more primary school age pupils in Tower Hamlets over the next ten years. In the past four years the equivalent of 1,575 extra places have been provided and the council will continue to provide more places to meet the rising need.

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children, schools and families, said: "We are working hard with our communities to provide world-class facilities for our children. We don't only want to make sure we have enough spaces for everyone, but that everyone gets a space at a first class school."

Olga Primary School will soon be demolished and rebuilt as a larger school, Bonner and Cayley schools have recently been expanded and Stebon School will be expanded from September this year.

Handel on the Quay

A COMBINED choir from Barclays and the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) in Canary Wharf will sing excerpts from Handel's Messiah, at a lunchtime concert on Thursday, April 10.

The concert, which will also feature a short talk explaining the text, will be held on board St Peter's Barge, West India Quay from 1-1.45pm.

Visit www.stpetersbarge.org for further information.



Dad's Network members, from left: Elvis Gilbert, Andy Simons, Jerome Watkins (in cap) and Kamal Ali

Change on the agenda at parents' day

MORE than 150 parents and carers have pledged to 'Make One Change' to improve family life.

Those attending the council's eighth annual parent conference included grandparents, foster carers, teenage parents and parents currently living in a women's refuge.

The theme of the event was Make One Change and it focused on the many things, big and small, parents might do to improve family life and outcomes for their children.

Throughout the day parents recorded their pledge to make

at least one change during the coming year. Pledges included "To be more active in my community and start talking to my neighbours", "To tell my children more often how much I love them" and "To become a school governor".

The conference on March 19 was a celebration of the achievements of parents and carers. Guest speakers included Cllr Oliur Rahman, the council cabinet member for children, schools and families, and Robert McCulloch-Graham, council director of education, social care and wellbeing.

The council offers a wide range of support and courses for parents. In the past year more than 400 adults have completed parenting courses.

During the past 12 months Dads' Network has been launched and the Parent and Carer Council has been going from strength to strength, with between 30 and 50 people attending each meeting.

For more information on parenting courses and support contact the Parent and Family Support Service on 7364 6398 or email parenting@towerhamlets.gov.uk

News in brief

Artisan sale

RESIDENTS are invited to support the work of local artisans who will be exhibiting and selling their wares on Saturday, April 5. Handmade gifts, prints, textiles and crafts are among items that will be on sale at the makers market at Departure community arts café, 649-651 Commercial Road, Limehouse from 11am-4pm.

For details call 7702 8802 or visit www.departure.org.uk

Project to close

A PROJECT, which has supported young people since 2001, helping them to fulfil their potential and address issues such as self-harm and educational achievement, is due to close at the end of the summer term.

The Gap Project based at Bethnal Green Methodist Church has found it difficult to secure funding over the last couple of years.

"We appreciate all the support we have received from teachers, youth work staff and managers, school and community support staff and school managers. We have also been very well supported by Tower Hamlets Council over the last 13 years and we are grateful," said co-ordinator Mark Hutchings.

Visit www.thegaproject.org

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To have your say, now or in the future, the best way is to join the Local Voices network. You can do that by contacting Real. It's free and anyone can join.

Useful information

Raise your voices

News from disability organisation Real

LOCAL Voices is your chance to influence issues that affect disabled people and people with long-term health conditions.

You can get involved with Local Voices over the phone, by email or by coming to meetings. It would be great to have your input.

The project is funded by the council and run by people like you. Real facilitates the project on behalf of the council.

This year, the project is focusing on three areas. Each area has a working group, who are organising activities and events, and working with council staff to make sure that your views get heard and listened to.

Making transport & our environment more accessible

- creating a new incident reporting service (for local transport, pavements and road surfaces), including testing a new mobile phone app
- mystery tripper journeys on local public transport
- establishing a mechanism to review and comment on major redevelopment projects in the borough
- reviewing instructions and eligibility criteria for Taxi Card.

Welfare benefits and reform

We will shortly be announcing some events about the changes to benefits and welfare that affect disabled people.

We've already been told that many people don't understand the changes, and they don't feel that information given previously addresses their needs.

The events will discuss the changes to housing benefit, including the bedroom tax, assessments for the employment support allowance, and the new personal independence payment (the replacement to

disability living allowance). We also want to do some work around people who cannot access regular financial services, such as bank accounts.

The events will be accessible for people with different kinds of disabilities. Let us know if you're interested in coming along – contact details are at the end.

Social care

The council wants to improve the way it involves disabled people in commissioning (buying) new services. It wants to train a group of people to sit on panels.

The council also wants to understand more about the impact of the move from allocated social workers to using Reablement. You can let us know what you think.

It also wants to raise awareness of disability issues amongst new social services staff, and we are looking for case studies for them to use in their training.

Ways you can be involved

To have your say on any of these topics, now or in the future, the best way is to join the Local Voices network. You can do that by contacting Real (see below). It's free and anyone can join.

The project is run by a steering committee, made up of people who are disabled or have long-term health conditions from Tower Hamlets. Being on the steering committee can be really rewarding and we will give you guidance and support to develop skills to help you do this. We are currently looking for new steering committee members, and you can contact us to find out more about what this would involve.

To get more information on anything we talk about above, or to join the network, visit www.real.org.uk/localvoices call Rob Johnson on 7001 2176 or email voices@real.org.uk
Mike Smith,
chief executive, Real

Chemist rota

Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.

E1

ABC Drug Stores, 12-14 Montague Street: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm.
Beck & Sherman, 197 Whitechapel Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, bank holidays 11am-1pm.
Sainsbury's, The Albion Brewery: Mon-Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 7.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-5pm.
Chapel, 139 Cannon Street:

Mon-Fri 9am-8pm,
Sat 9am-6pm.

E2

Fairdale, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.
Florida, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

E3

Bell, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.
Forward, 648 Mile End Road:

Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.

Green Light, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.
Lincoln, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.
Tesco, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

E14

Boots, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat

9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm.
Britannia (Perimart), Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

Doctors

Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor).

To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.

Advice

Family Information Service (FIS)

The Family Information Service provides information for people from birth to age 19 (or 25 for those with additional needs) including helping parents and carers find high quality childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers. Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm. Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14. fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk 7364 6495

Tower Hamlets Home Birth Support Group

Last Thurs of each month, 8pm. 31 Ridgale Street, E3. 8981 1159

Parents Advice Centre (PAC)

Offers impartial advice around special educational needs (SEN). 30 Greatorex Street, E1. Drop-in sessions every Tues, 9.30am-3.30pm & Fri, 9.30am-1pm. 7364 6489

LinkAge Plus

Toynbee Hall is one of five network centres that co-ordinates services and activities provided. Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm, drop-in session for advice on benefits, pensions, employment and housing. Appointments necessary. Mon 9am-5pm, Bangladeshi group. Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street, E1

7392 2914
www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Welfare advice

All the organisations listed below can help you with welfare benefits, housing and general debt problems.

Account 3
1-9 Birkbeck Street, E2. 7739 7720
www.account3.org.uk

Bangladesh Youth Movement
21-23 Henriques St, E1. 7488 1831/2

Bromley by Bow Centre
St Leonard's Street, E3. 8709 9737 www.bbbc.org.uk

Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)
32 Greatorex Street, E1. 7247 1050
www.adviceguide.org.uk

Island Advice Centre
Island House, Roserton Street, Isle of Dogs, E14. 7987 9379
www.island-advice.org.uk

Legal Advice Centre
University House, 104 Roman Road, E2. 8980 4205
www.legaladvicecentre.org.uk

Limehouse Project
Cheadle Hall, Cheadle House, Copenhagen Place, E14. 7538 0075
www.limehouseproject.org.uk

Praxis (New Residents Service)
Pott Street, E2. 7729 7985
www.praxis.org.uk

Tower Hamlets Law Centre
(specialist advice by appointment and evening legal advice sessions). 214 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7247 8998
www.thlc.co.uk

Debt advice

Toynbee Hall Advice Service
28 Commercial Street, E1. 7392 2953
advice@toynbeehall.org.uk
www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Fair Money Advice
530 Commercial Road, E1. 7702 8032
www.fairfinance.org.uk

Island Advice Centre
Island House, Roserton Street Isle of Dogs, E14. 7987 9379
www.island-advice.org.uk

National Debt line
0808 808 4000
www.nationaldebtlane.co.uk

Step Change Debt Charity
0800 138 111
www.stepchange.org



Photo order form

Copies of pictures published in East End Life taken by council photographers are available to readers. To request a copy, email eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk and we can send it straight away. If you do not have access to email fill in this form and send it to Photos, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. This service does take longer.

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Started by community workers

Women's Health and Family Services was established in 1981 by a group of community workers living in Tower Hamlets with the original aim of enabling access to maternity services.

WWW.WHFS.ORG.UK

Desperate shortage

According to Children's Care Monitor, in 2011, only 27 per cent of sibling groups were placed together in foster care.

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News

Event celebrates the work of health and wellbeing charity

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

MORE than 90 people went to the Brady Centre in Whitechapel to celebrate the work of a health and wellbeing charity, which has been working in Tower Hamlets for 32 years.

Funders and representatives of voluntary organisations were among those at the event earlier this month for the Women's Health and Family Services (WHFS).

The charity promotes health for minority ethnic women and their families, and runs health projects including schemes for people with diabetes, a health in old age programme, and support for vulnerable, pregnant women.

It also provides accredited training and support for volunteers, which has enabled many



Some of the guests at the celebration

to gain paid employment in health care roles.

During the celebration, guests

heard about some of the improvements WHFS has brought about – from encouraging

elderly Somali men to eat more fruit and vegetables to Maternity Mates volunteers

who provide vital support to vulnerable expectant mothers in the community.

A young mum who had experienced emotional abuse during her pregnancy sat with her six-week-old baby and tearfully recounted how her Maternity Mates had been her lifeline.

Volunteers also spoke about how being able to do something meaningful outside the home gave them a huge sense of satisfaction, improved their confidence and gave them more control over their lives.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman and Cllr Abdul Asad, cabinet member for health and wellbeing, presented volunteers with certificates for their achievements.

For further information about WHFS or volunteering opportunities call 7377 8725 or visit www.whfs.org.uk

News in brief

Trip to Number 10

THE executive principal of Old Ford and Culloden primary schools was among guests at a reception hosted by Prime Minister David Cameron to celebrate inspirational women.

Amanda Phillips attended the event at 10 Downing Street.

She said: "The event was very exciting and I was proud to be representing Old Ford Primary and Culloden Primary."

"I spoke to the Prime Minister – I told him about our wonderful pupils in Tower Hamlets and that Secretary of State Michael Gove had visited us twice."

Cycling training

ADULTS over the age of 16 who live, work or study in Tower Hamlets can take advantage of free adult cycle training funded by the council.

All levels are welcome, from complete beginners to experienced cyclists, and bicycles can be provided for those who require them. To book a lesson call 7364 4001.

Apprentice advice

A DROP-IN advice session is being held for parents with children interested in taking an apprenticeship.

It takes place on Thursday, April 3 from 4.30-5.30pm at Central Foundation Girls' School, College Terrace Centre (not the main school site) in Bow.

Bag a bargain

A BRING and buy sale is being held at All Hallows Church, Blackthorn Street, Bow on Saturday, April 5 from 1-3pm in aid of the Maseno Project for sustainable farming in Kenya.

For details call 07974 371418.

Relax with yoga

GENTLE yoga relaxation and meditation sessions are held at Glamis Residents' Hall at 414 Cable Street, E1 every Monday from 7-8.30 pm.

All are welcome and the cost is £7 per session (concessions are available).



COINCIDING with the third anniversary of the start of the conflict in Syria, pupils at a Whitechapel school have been raising awareness about the children who make up half of the refugees from the conflict. As part of Oxfam's Seen and Heard campaign, students from Swanlea School's youth ambassador group prepared talks and delivered assemblies to the whole school. They also planned and taught a special lesson to their peers about the crisis, which has seen more than 2.25 million Syrians flee

to neighbouring countries and more than 100,000 lose their lives. Students wrote more than 800 postcards to Bethnal Green and Bow MP Rushanara Ali, petitioning her to support their campaign. Head teacher Brenda Landers said: "The compassion and kindness that students at Swanlea have for others is enormous. "They have not only worked incredibly hard to help children in Syria, but they have also helped others learn more about this terrible crisis and to take action themselves."

Help keep foster siblings together

TOWER Hamlets has teamed up with a county council and an adoption and fostering charity to launch a new service aimed at encouraging people to consider fostering siblings.

Nationally, 59 per cent of children in care have brothers and sisters also in care, but there are not enough foster carers who are willing or able to take in siblings.

The council has partnered with Parents and Children Together (PACT) and Oxfordshire County Council to launch choosefostering.

The new service includes information, support and training for people who want to foster brothers and sisters together.

The role of a foster carer is supported financially and there is specific training around caring for sibling groups, out of hours telephone support and carer support groups.

Cabinet member for children, schools and families Cllr Oliur Rahman said: "There is a growing need for people who are able to bring sibling groups into their loving home."

"I hope this campaign makes potential foster carers aware of the rewards and the support for those who feel the time is right for them to foster."

"I urge you to visit the website or give us a call to find out more about fostering siblings."

For further information call 0808 1686918 or visit www.choosefostering.org

Ladies of the Lane

“My favourite pictures are of the old ladies – they have the character of their environment written on their faces.”

PHIL MAXWELL

News feature

Brick Lane is one of the borough's most famous streets. Photographer **Phil Maxwell** has published a book, containing more than 300 black and white images, of life in the Lane over three decades. **Helen Watson** went to meet him.

PHIL Maxwell has photographed the East End since he arrived here from Liverpool in 1981. He has documented the lives of people in Tower Hamlets for over 30 years, leaving him with an unparalleled archive of street photography, mirroring the changes to the area over the decades.

Images from Phil Maxwell's book Brick Lane

Now this work has been put together in a book, simply titled Brick Lane, with images appearing in chronological order from 1982 to the present day.

“When I first arrived in Brick Lane, it was semi-derelict,” Phil tells me.

“It was a meeting place for local people, for those in the local rag trade and the surrounding estates. The streets were always full of people talking and going about their business.”

Phil's pictures are full of the Lane's most loved characters and the past 30 years of change is reflected in the people, as much as their surroundings. Older ladies doing their shopping, family portraits, market traders plying their wares, echoes of the fast-disappearing Jewish community.

“I think the distinctive feature of my photography is people,” Phil says.

“I think humanity is fascinating, people echo the environment they are in. Buildings change over the years but if a picture doesn't have people in it, I always think there is something missing.”

Does he have favourite photos from the collection?

“I suppose the most famous of my pictures is a couple kissing in the laundrette,” Phil says.

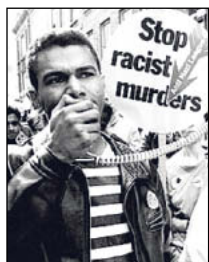
“Their daughter, who is in her early 20s, is coming to the launch of the book.

“My favourite pictures are probably of the old ladies from the 1980s – they have the character of their environment written on their faces, the cat lady of Spitalfields who used to pull a trolley up and down Brick Lane full of food for local cats.”

Photographs in the book also reflect the volatile social change of the area, particularly the struggle of local people against racism and fascism.

“In some ways, the history of Brick Lane is much the same as another of the borough's famous thoroughfares – Cable Street,” Phil tells me.

“It is a history of the struggle against racism and fascism.



Love in the laundrette

This couple caught kissing in a Brick Lane laundrette is probably one of Phil Maxwell's most well-known pictures. Their daughter, now in her 20s, is coming to the launch of the book.

SEE BELOW



For the love of the Lane

“In the 70s, 80s and 90s, there were always fascist newspaper sellers in Brick Lane but after the election of BNP councillor Derek Beackon in 1993, our community was shocked, horrified that this sort of man could be elected in our area.

“It provoked a counter reaction in Tower Hamlets, people joined together to oppose fascism in Brick Lane and beyond.”

Demonstrations took place against the rise of racism and Phil was on hand to take pictures.

“I took photos very much from the viewpoint of an activist,” he says.

“I thought it important to photograph the demonstrations against racism and take pictures of the racists themselves.

“I thought it imperative to record that part of history so it can be passed on to future generations.”

The crowds on Brick Lane have changed a lot since the 80s and 90s. The Lane on a Sunday is still packed, not with anti-racist

demonstrators but with fashionable Londoners browsing, shopping and eating.

“The main change over the years is that Brick Lane is now a kind of pleasuredome, a place of leisure,” Phil says.

“It was always a buffer zone between the City and the East End. But now the commercial centre is fast encroaching.

“The Brick Lane of 30 years ago bears no resemblance to the Brick Lane of today. People often ask me which I prefer, and I don't want to be romantic but I think then it had more characters.

“Brick Lane is more expensive now than it was then. Some of the people who live around it can't participate in the activities on it. Cost is prohibitive.

“It's mostly for this reason that I sought investors for the book, so that we could keep the price down and most people could afford it. It costs £10 but it's probably worth a lot more. But I want local people to be able to look back at Brick Lane's history, for it not

to be something else that they can't afford.”

The Brick Lane book has been published by Spitalfields Life Books and the foreword written by the Gentle Author, whose blog on the life and characters of the area is followed by thousands.

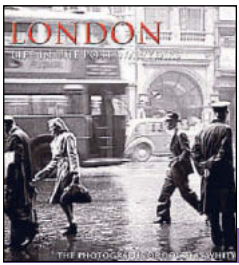
Phil continues to take his camera with him wherever he goes and has exciting plans for the future.

“As well as my pictures, I make films with film-maker Hazuan Hashim, films about local history and communities,” he says.

“I would also like to do a book on Whitechapel. There needs to be a record of what the community looks like as, after Crossrail arrives, it will be changed for ever.”

An exhibition of photographs from the book is being held at the Rich Mix centre in Bethnal Green from Friday, April 4 – 26, and is free to get in. Visit www.richmix.org.uk

Brick Lane by Phil Maxwell costs £10 and is available from www.spitalfieldslife.com



Life through a lens after 'the War'

Douglas Whitworth, roaming London with his camera, caught a city that has just drifted out of memory. His chiaroscuro portraits capture a city both packed with people and, at times, weirdly empty.

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Got a story to tell?

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at johnrennie@gmail.com

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History

The past is a different country in monochrome post-war London

BY JOHN RENNIE

EVEN the title dates it rather. Life in the post-war years needs no explanation for those who grew up in the shadow of 'the War' (capital letter always required).

To the generation before, 'the War' would have been the bloody conflagration on the fields of Belgium and France. But to those of us who lived through it or were born in the Fifties or Sixties it was a monolith – sweeping away a cosy, still rather Victorian London and ushering in a new age of traffic jams, technology, Skylons, rock and roll, and teenagers.

Even those of us too young to have been there were reminded of the war every day it seems, with the British film and television industry's apparent obsession with World War II.

Douglas Whitworth, roaming London with his camera in the immediate post-war years, caught a city that has just drifted out of memory. It's been observed that the Second World War didn't really end for a decade or so after, with East Enders still on the ration, and his chiaroscuro portraits capture a city both packed with people and, at times, weirdly empty.

A shot of Cannon Street still has the capacity to shock, as the full-scale of Luftwaffe destruction of London becomes apparent. The bombed-out buildings have been felled and the rubble cleared, and what is left is acres of what we would now call 'brown fields'. St Paul's, the odd pub or insurance building stand nervously exposed amid block after block of emptiness.

There are few people and fewer cars. You're reminded that London was a less-populous city in those days, and that many thousands had fled the bombs, many never to return.

London in the late Forties was entering a sharp pitch downwards in population – a process that had been going on since the early 1900s but now risked hollowing out London altogether. The population would not begin to climb again until the 1980s. A beautifully misty shot of Liverpool Street station, its serried black cabs waiting (apparently in vain) for passengers to arrive, suggests a London that's been deserted by its people.

Yet life goes on, and never more vibrantly than in the street markets. Jack Cohen's



Tesco stores were yet to break out from Whitechapel and revolutionise British shopping – Londoners were still buying their produce from local stores and barrows, and the four big markets of Smithfield, Leadenhall, Billingsgate and Covent Garden dominated the local supply of food and other goods.

Twenty-first century Londoners grinding their teeth in traffic might take a trip back 60 years to early mornings around one of the markets to see what gridlock really looks like, with horse-drawn carts battling with suppliers' vans and the few cars on the road.

For East Enders, the prime destination was Petticoat Lane of course, as much for free street entertainment as to buy clothes, pegs or a watch. Whitworth captures the legendary Prince Monolulu, the African potentate theatrically dispensing betting tips on Middlesex Street. (The reality was plainer. Peter McKay hailed from the West Indies rather than Africa, and his cry 'I got a horse!', was strictly accurate – it didn't promise a winning horse.)

Street traders, ever watchful for an approaching copper, conjure bargains out of thin air, entrancing the crowds who press around, only to disappear and leave them wondering 'What did I just spend my money on?'

River traffic was going into a long decline too, but London was still a port city before everything moved forever down to Tilbury and Felixstowe.

We see Tower Bridge, apparently open to let through a small ship that could easily clear the closed bridge. But this was the



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busiest port in the world, with cranes lining both banks of the Thames, and the bridge was as often open as shut.

As soon as the arms went down, traffic would crowd to pass between the north and south banks – an image shows a traffic bobby apparently despairing at ever getting the vehicles moving. It was even a spectator sport – nobody much at home watching TV in those days – with crowds gathering to watch the loading and unloading of the big-

Above: A ship prepares to sail from the Pool of London in 1948

(Middle) The exotically named Prince Monolulu, aka Peter McKay, came from the West Indies, not Africa

ger ships at the Royal Docks.

And London was being discovered for the first time by the descendants of those who had left the East End generations before. American and Anzac servicemen people the pictures. To East Enders, a holiday meant a few days down in Southend or Margate – holidaymakers arriving from the US opened a window onto a more affluent world.

That was a good decade or so away. For now, Londoners had to live with rationing. A rather bleak world where the confidence and growth of Empire had disappeared, and nothing had yet arisen to take its place. All is tidy and orderly – streets appear remarkably clean (at least until the pea souper fogs descended, coating everything in sticky black filth); men are unfailingly clad in suit and tie, trilby hat neatly on head; hemlines are respectably and unflatteringly just below the knee. Even if Whitworth had been shooting on colour stock, you feel, London and Londoners would still have come out in black and white.

The past is another country, of course, and the one shot that looks paradoxically contemporary is that of an immaculate Grenadier Guardsman on duty outside Buckingham Palace in 1953. They've been moved inside the railings in recent years of course (a less deferential public getting too up close and personal) but apart from that the picture might have been taken yesterday. In London, some things never change. **London: Life in the Post-War Years. The Photographs of Douglas Whitworth. Available now, £14.99, new paperback edition, 978-0-7524-9982-6**



Harmony

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TALAABADII ugu danbeysaey si carruurta mas-taqbalku dugsiiyo ku filan u heshaa, ayaa haatan tubtii lala helay.

Kawnsulka Tower Hamlets wuxuu sedex laabayaa mugii dugsiga hoose ee Woolmore oo la ballaadhinayaa.

Mashruucan oo ay ku baxayso £10 milyan, wuxuu bilaabmay Juulay 2013 sidii loogu talagalana wuxuu dhammaanayaa Juulay 2015.

Dugsigani mugiiisu haatan waa 210 arday, marka la

balaadhiyana wuxuu noqon doonaa 420 arday.

Meeyor Lutfur Rahman, oo booqday dugsiga ayaa ydhi: “Aad ayaan uga mabsuuday mashruuci dugsiga hoose Woolmore, oo sidii loogu talagalay u socda.

“Dugsigan wax weyn ayuu ka badeli doona bulshada. Waa tusaalaayaasha fiican ee laga arki karo in aanu diyaar u nahay in gtirada carruurta ee soo badanaysa dugsii u helaan.”

Waxaa lagu qiyaasay in tirade aradayd u baahan dugsii hoose

ay gaadhi doonto ilaa 8,000,10ka sanno ee innagu soo fool leh.

Mashruucan dugsiga hoose ee Woolmore, laba waji ayuu kala ahaanayaa, oo uu dhamaystirayo Bouygues UK.

Dhismaha afarta dabaq ah, waxaa hatan laga wadaa xaruntii caafimaadka ee hore eek u xcigtey dugsiga immika jira. Wajigani wuxuu dhammaanayaa Janwery 2015.

Dabadeeda ardayd kaas ayay u soo guurayaan, ka kalana waa la burburinayaa, si looga dhiso waxyaabo kale.

Cashuurta kawsulka

Pay council tax by direct debit – issue 1002

DADWEYNUHU waxay ku guuleysan karaan £25,000 qiimaha guud ahaan London hadday saxeexaan in lacagta cashuurta madaxa, bangigooda toos uga bixinayaan.

Haddii cashuurta lagu bixiyo toos, kawnsulka waqti kaga lumi maayoo maamulkeeda, isla markaana waxaa u soo ku-mayaal gini sannadkii.

Deganayaasha horaba toos-

ka u bixin jirey, way ka qayb qaadan karaan tartanka abaalmarintan.

40,000 oo qoys ayaa haatan lacagta cashuurta madaxa toos u bixiya Tower Hamlets. 90,000, ayay intaasi toos u bixiyaan.

Tower Hamlets, oo lacagta ugu yar ka qaada Iglan oo dhan cashuurta madaxa, waxay ku haysaa qiimaha ugu hooseeya sannadkii afraad 2014.

Cllr Alibor Choudhury,

xubinta kabinetka ayaa ydhi: “Waxaan dadweynaha ku adkaynayaa in ay cashuurta u bixiyaan. Dadka waxay kalmanaysaa qorshaynta miisaaniyadood, si hawl yarbaa u saxeexi kartaa, waxaanad ku guuleysan kartaa abaalmarintaa lacageed.”

Faahfaahin dheeraad ah booqo www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/counciltax amma wac 7364 5002.

Horumarinta Cisbitalka St Clements

Development of St Clement’s Hospital – issue 1002

MEEYARKA London Boris Johnson ayaa xadhiga ka jaray boqcada horumarinta ee St Clement’s.

Boqcadani waa mashruuca bulshada ee Bariga London.

In ka badan 250 guri ayaa laga dhisayaa, kuwaas oo 58 ka mid ah la kirayn doona oo ay uu maamuli doono Peabody and 23 guri oo ay ha’addu leedahay oo ka kooban, hal, laba qol iyo sedex qol.

Suzanne Gorman, oo xubin ka

ah guddiga hay’adda, Tower Hamlets ku nool ayaa tidhi: “ELCLT wuxuu ka dhashay olole muwaadiniintu UK, ee aaminsan in ay jirto hab kale oo baahida gur yaha lagu dabooli karaa.

“Meelaha aynu ku nool nahay waa in ay kiro jabnaadaan, siday u egyihiin iyo habkoodana waa in ka timaadaa dadweynaha.”

Hay’addu iyadaa qiimaha kirada go’aamineysa.



এভারফেল্ডি এস্টেইটে চারটি নতুন সিসিটিভি ক্যামেরা স্থাপন

Estate gets new CCTV cameras

পপলারের এভারফেল্ডি এস্টেইটের বাসিন্দাদের নিরাপত্তা বিধানের জন্যে আরো চারটি নতুন সিসিটিভি ক্যামেরা স্থাপন করা হয়েছে।

এলাকার বাসিন্দাদের চাহিদার পরিপ্রেক্ষিতে এই ক্যামেরাগুলো স্থাপন করা হয়েছে সিসিটিভি এলাকার কোথায় অপরাধমূলক কাজ ঘটছে তা চিহ্নিত করতে পারবে এবং এর প্রতিরোধের জন্যে পুলিশ এবং সহযোগি সংস্থাগুলোর কাছে বার্তা পৌছে দেয়।

এ বছরের জানুয়ারি মাস থেকে সিসিটিভি টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের বাসিন্দাদের নিরাপদ রাখার জন্যে ভূমিকা রেখে চলেছে সিসিটিভির অপারেটরদের কল্যাণে পুলিশ ১৪৫ জনকে শ্রেফতার করতে সক্ষম হয়েছে। সিসিটিভির মাধ্যমে অপরাধস্থল চিহ্নিত করে পুলিশকে ৫০০ রিডিওর মাধ্যমে অপরাধির গতিবিধি সম্পর্কে নির্দেশনা দেয়া হয়ে থাকে। এর মাধ্যমে পুলিশ অপরাধিকে ধরতে সক্ষম হয়েছে। যেসব অপরাধিরদে ধরা হয়েছে এদের মধ্যে মার-মারি, ড্রাগ ও ডাকাতির মত ঘটনার সাথে জড়িত ব্যক্তিরা রয়েছেন।

জানা গেছে, পূর্ব লন্ডনের হলিওয়ে এলাকা থেকে এক ব্যক্তিকে অবৈধ অস্ত্র রাখার অভিযোগে গ্রেফতার করা হয়েছে সিসিটিভি-তে তাকে ছুরি সহ সনাক্ত করা হয়েছিল। হ্যানবারি স্ট্রীটে একজন ছিনতাইকারিকে সিসিটিভি চিহ্নিত করে এবং পুলিশকে অপরাধির বিবরণ অবহিত করলে পুলিশ তাকে ধরতে সমর্থ হয়।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, “সামাজিক নিরাপত্তা বিধান আমাদের অন্যতম অগ্রাধিকার সিসিটিভির মাধ্যমে অপরাধিদের



Mayor Lutfur Rahman, Chief Inspector Tony Gowen and Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed

সনাক্ত করে পুলিশ কর্তৃক তাদের গ্রেফতার হওয়া সিসিটিভির কার্যকর ভূমিকা প্রমাণ করে।

পুলিশের সাথে আমাদের অংশীদারিত্বের মাধ্যমে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসকে নিরাপদ রাখার ব্যাপারটির প্রতি নজর রাখা হচ্ছে।”

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের ডেপুটি মেয়র কাউন্সিলর ওহিদ আহমদ বলেন, “কাউন্সিল এবং পুলিশের যৌথ ভাবে কাজ করার এটি একটি উজ্জ্বল দৃষ্টান্ত।

সিসিটিভির মাধ্যমে পুলিশের কাছে ছবি

পাঠানো হয় যার ফলে পুলিশের পক্ষে আসামিদের গ্রেফতার করা সহজ হয়ে পড়ে এবং তাদের আইনের হাতে সোপর্দ করা সম্ভব হয়।”

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস পার্টনারশীপের পুলিশ বিভাগের চীফ ইন্সপেক্টর টনি গোয়েন বলেন, “কাউন্সিলের উদ্যোগে স্থাপিত সিসিটিভির মাধ্যমে বৃহত্তর কমিউনিটি লাভবান হচ্ছে তারা অপরাধ দমনের জন্যে পুলিশকে সহযোগিতা প্রদান করছে আর এর মাধ্যমে এভারফেল্ডি এস্টেইটে নিরাপত্তা বিধান করা যাচ্ছে।”

প্রাইমারি স্কুলগুলোর আসন সংখ্যা বাড়ানো হবে

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টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের প্রাইমারি স্কুলগুলোতে ভবিষ্যতের চাপ মোকাবেলা করার জন্যে আসন সংখ্যা বাড়ানোর কাজ এগিয়ে চলেছে।

স্থাপত্য শিল্পমন্ডিত বৃহৎ আকারের নতুন ভবন নির্মাণ করার মাধ্যমে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল উলমোর স্কুলের আসন সংখ্যা তিনগুণ করার উদ্যোগ নিয়েছে।

গত বছরের জুলাই মাসে ১০ মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড ব্যায়ে ভবন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প হাতে নেয়া হয় ২০১৫ সালের জুলাই মাসে এই প্রকল্পের কাজ শেষ হবে। বর্তমানে ২১০ ছাত্রের জন্যে আসন রয়েছে নতুন ভবনের নির্মাণ কাজ শেষ হলে ৪২০ জন ছাত্রের আসন সংকুলান হবে।

সম্প্রতি টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান উলমোর স্কুল নির্মাণ প্রকল্প পরিদর্শনে যান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে তিনি বলেন, “আমি অত্যন্ত আনন্দিত যে উলমোর স্কুল প্রকল্প লক্ষ্যমাত্রা অর্জনে এগিয়ে চলেছে।

এই প্রকল্প কমিউনিটিতে একটি ভিন্নমাত্রা যোগ করবে। এই প্রকল্প প্রমাণ করে যে আমরা টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে স্কুল পড়ুয়াদের সংখ্যা কি ভাবে বাড়িয়ে চলেছি।”

আগামী ১০ বছরে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে স্কুল পড়ুয়াদের সংখ্যা ৮ হাজারের ও বেশি হয়ে যাবে। গত ৪ বছরে ১,৫৭৫ অতিরিক্ত ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের জন্যে আসন বাড়ানো হয়েছে এবং কাউন্সিল ছাত্র-ছাত্রী সংখ্যা বৃদ্ধির দিকে লক্ষ্য রেখে আসন বৃদ্ধির জন্যে কাজ করে চলেছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের চিলড্রেন স্কুলস এন্ড ফ্যামিলিজ এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর ওলিউর রহমান বলেন, “আমরা আমাদের কমিউনিটির সাথে কঠোর পরিশ্রম করে যাচ্ছি যাতে শিশুদের জন্যে আমরা বিশ্বের প্রথম শ্রেণীর শিক্ষা করুন।

প্রদান করতে পারি। আমরা শুধু পর্যাপ্ত পরিমাণ আসনই বাড়াতে চাইনা, সবাই যাতে প্রথম

শ্রেণীর স্কুলে আসন পেতে পারে তার ব্যবস্থা আমরা করতে চাই।”

বুয়োগাস ইউকে নির্মাণ কোম্পানি দুই পর্বে এই স্কুলের কাজ সমাপ্ত করবে। নতুন ৪তলা ভবন নির্মিত হবে পূর্বের মেডিকেল সেন্টারের স্থানে বর্তমান স্কুলের নিকটে। ২০১৫ সালের জানুয়ারি মাসে এই নির্মাণ কাজ শেষ হবে।

পরবর্তী পর্যায়ে শিশুরা নতুন পরিবেশে নির্মিত এলাকায় পদার্পন করবে যেখানে তাদের জন্যে থাকবে খেলা প্রাঙ্গণ এবং খেলাধুলার স্থান।

নির্মাণ কাজের জন্যে সরকারের বেসিক নিউ গ্রান্ট ও ব্লাকওয়াল রীচের ফান্ড থেকে প্রাপ্ত সেকশন ১০৬ এর অনুদান দেয়া হয়েছে।

উলমুর স্কুলের হেড টিচার ট্রেসি আর্জেন্ট বলেন, “শিশুরা, স্টাফ ও গভর্নরবৃন্দ এবং অভিভাবকরা নতুন স্কুলের ব্যাপারে আনন্দে উল্লসিত।

আমাদের শিশুদের জন্যে এখানে আরও আসন বাড়ানো হয়েছে।



২২শে মে অনুষ্ঠিতব্য নির্বাচনে জালিয়াতি প্রতিরোধে ব্যবস্থা

আগামি ২২শে মে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস মেয়র,কাউন্সিল এবং ইউরোপীয়ান পার্লামেন্ট নির্বাচনে যাতে কোন ধরনের ভোট জালিয়াতি নাহয় সে জন্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের নেয়া ব্যবস্থাগুলোকে ইলেক্টরাল কমিশন প্রশংসা করেছে। নির্বাচনে কোন ধরনের জালিয়াতি করা হলে সাথে সাথে ব্যবস্থা নেয়া হবে। বিস্তারিত দেখুন নীচে।

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Harmony

টেস্ট ব্রিকলেইন ক্যাম্পেইনের উদ্বোধন করলেন তারকা শেফ এইসলে হ্যারিয়েট

Ainsley judges the best of Brick Lane – see pages 14 & 15

বিশ্বের বিভিন্ন দেশ থেকে আসা পর্যটকদের জন্যে ব্রিকলেইন এলাকাকে আকর্ষণীয় করে তুলতে গত ২৩ শে মার্চ রবিবার ব্রিকলেইনে অনুষ্ঠিত হয়ে গেল টেস্ট ব্রিকলেইন ক্যাম্পেইন। এই ক্যাম্পেইনের উদ্বোধন করেন সেলিব্রিটি শেফ এইসলে হ্যারিয়েট এবং স্থানীয় ওয়ার্ড কাউন্সিলর গোলাম রব্বানি।

আনন্দঘন পরিবেশে মঞ্চ থেকে দর্শক শ্রোতাদের বিনোদন প্রদান করেন জাগলিং শেফ ম্যাক বার্নার, তিনি সার্কাসে যে ধরনের রোমাঞ্চকর কলাকৌশল প্রদর্শন করা হয় সেসব কলাকৌশল প্রদর্শন করে দর্শকদের আনন্দ প্রদান করেন। এই ছাড়াও ঐ উৎসবে ফেইস পেইন্টিং, মেহেদি পরানো এবং সংগীত ও নৃত্যের আয়োজন করা হয়।

টেস্ট ব্রিকলেইন এওয়ার্ডস ২০১৪ এর বিচারক হিসাবে তারকা শেফ এইসলে হ্যারিয়েট একে একে প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশ নেয়া রেস্টুরেন্ট গুলো ঘুরে ঘুরে তাদের রান্না করা খাবার চেখে দেখেন। প্রতিযোগীদের মধ্যে থেকে ৩টি রেস্টুরেন্টকে পুরস্কারের জন্যে বেছে নেয়া হয়। এরমধ্যে আলাদিন রেস্টুরেন্ট বিজয়ের শিরোপা ছিনিয়ে নেয় দ্বিতীয় এবং তৃতীয় স্থান অধিকার করে যথাক্রমে পাপাডাম ও শেবা রেস্টুরেন্ট।

চিকেন টিক্কা ব্লাস্টের রান্নাকারি আলাদিন রেস্টুরেন্টের শেফ স্যাম কুন্ডু বলেন, “বিজয়ী হবার সংবাদ শুনে আমি বোবা হয়ে গেছি, আমরা গত ২০ বছর ধরে এখানে রয়েছে এবং এই এলাকার বিরী পরিবর্তন অবলোকন করেছি। এই এলাকায় নতুন পর্যটকদের স্বাগত জানানোর জন্যে আমি আগ্রহের সাথে অপেক্ষা করছি।”

টেস্ট ব্রিকলেইন এওয়ার্ডস ২০১৪ এর বিচারক এইসলে হ্যারিয়েট বলেন, “এখানে যে সম্মানের সাথে আমাকে আনা হয়েছে ব্রিকলেইনের কারি হাউসগুলোর রান্না করা খাবার খেয়ে আমি দেখেছি যা খুবই উপাদেয়। ব্রিকলেইনের



Ainsley Harriott with staff from the Aladin restaurant, which won the competition

রেস্টুরেন্টগুলোর রান্না করা খাবারের স্বাদের জন্যে এই এলাকা বিশ্বব্যাপি খ্যাতি অর্জন করেছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বিজয়ীদের মধ্যে পুরস্কার বিতরণ করেন ও মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, “আমি যেসব রেস্টুরেন্ট শেফরা এই প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশ নিয়েছেন ও অপর তরকারি রান্না করেছেন তাদের প্রতি ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি। ক্ষুদ্র ব্যবসাগুলো আমাদের কমিউনিটির মেরুদণ্ড এবং তা আমাদের অর্থনীতিতে বিরাট ভূমিকা রেখে চলেছে। আমি আমাদের টাউন সেন্টারগুলো,মার্কেট এবং ব্রিকলেইনের মত

আকর্ষণীয় এলাকার প্রচার ও প্রসার কামনা করি।”

স্থানীয় ওয়ার্ড কাউন্সিলর গোলাম রব্বানি বলেন,এটি একটি বর্ণাঢ্য অনুষ্ঠান, আমি আশা করি পর্যটকরা ব্রিকলেইনের স্বাদ এবং আকর্ষণীয় স্থানগুলো অবলোকন করতে আসবেন।

বর্ণাঢ্য এই অনুষ্ঠানে বিশ্বের বিভিন্ন স্থান থেকে আসা পর্যটকরা যোগ দেন নিউইয়র্ক থেকে আসা এরকম পর্যটক যাদের নাম লরেল ও পিটার তারা বলেন,আমরা পরের বার যখন লন্ডন আসবো তখন ব্রিকলেইনে আসবো এবং এই এলাকার খাবার ও সংস্কৃতি উপভোগ করবো। যুক্তরাজ্যেরহাল থেকে শহর থেকে আসা জিল

ফারাজি বলেন,ব্রিকলেইনের অনেক পরিবর্তন হয়েছে, পরিষ্কার পরিচ্ছন্ন এলাকা হিসাবে এটি আকর্ষণীয় এখানে বিভিন্ন সমাজের মানুষের একটি মিলন মঞ্চ স্থাপিত হয়েছে।

উল্লেখ্য যে, গত ২০১২ সালের ওলিম্পিকের সময় ব্রিকলেইনকে কারি ক্যাপিটাল হিসাবে অভিহিত করা হয়েছিল। এই দিকে লক্ষ্য রেখে বিশ্ববাসির সামনে ব্রিকলেইনকে তার স্বমহিমায় তুলে ধরার জন্যে টেস্ট ব্রিকলেইন উৎসবের আয়োজন করা হয়েছিল। এই উৎসব ব্রিকলেইনের ঐতিহ্য ও সংস্কৃতি তুলে ধরার জন্যে যথেষ্ট অবদান রাখবে।

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বাংলাদেশ থেকে পান

আমদানি সাময়িক নিষিদ্ধ

ইউরোপীয়ান কমিশন সম্প্রতি বাংলাদেশ থেকে পান আমদানি আমদানির উপর সাময়িক নিষেধাজ্ঞা জারি করেছে এই সিদ্ধান্তের স্মারক নম্বর হচ্ছে ২০১৪/৮৮/ইইউ। এই নিষেধাজ্ঞা জারির পেছনের কারন হল বৃটেনে বাংলাদেশ থেকে আমদানি করা পান পাতার মধ্যে সালমোনেলা ব্যাকটেরিয়ার অস্তিত্ব পাওয়া গেছে।

সালমোনেলা ব্যাকটেরিয়ার অস্তিত্ব পাওয়ার কারনে গত ১৭ই ফেব্রুয়ারি থেকে পান পাতা আমদানির উপর সাময়িক নিষেধাজ্ঞা জারি করা হয়েছে এবং এই নিষেধাজ্ঞা আগামি ৩১শে জুলাই ২০১৪ পর্যন্ত বলবৎ রাখা হবে।

যেসব দেশগুলোতে পানের উপর পরীক্ষা করে সালমোনেলা ব্যাকটেরিয়া চিহ্নিত করা হয়েছে সেসব দেশগুলোর দূতাবাসে ফুড স্ট্যান্ডার্ড এজেন্সি সতর্কতা অবলম্বনের জন্যে অনুরোধ জানিয়েছে।

এ ব্যাপারে বিস্তারিত জানার জন্যে কমার্শিয়াল এন্ড বিজনেস রেশলেশশ, ফুড সেফটি টিমের - ০২০৭ ৩৬৪ ৫০০৮- এই নম্বরে অথবা - foodsafety@towerhamlets.gov.uk -এই ই-মেইলে যোগাযোগ করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

ট্যুর ডি ফ্রান্স এর টাওয়ার

হ্যামলেটস ভ্রমন

হেগ প্রাইমারি স্কুলে এক সাইক্লিং ইভেন্টের আয়োজন করা হয় এতে ট্যুর ডি ফ্রান্স গ্রাভ ডিপার্ট ট্রফি উপস্থিত হয়েছিলেন।

হেগ স্কুলে অনুষ্ঠিত সাইক্লিং ইভেন্টে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের ৬টি স্কুলের ৩৫০ জন ছাত্র-ছাত্রী অংশগ্রহন করে।

এই অনুষ্ঠানটির আয়োজন রে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল এবং সহযোগিতা করে বাইক ওয়ার্ক নামক সংগঠনটি। স্কুলের শিশুরা রোল-পুলজার স্ট্যাটিক বাইক প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশ নেয়। ডাঃ বাইক ওখানে ভিজিট করেন।

বিএমএএক্স -ট্রাইসাইকেল এক প্রদর্শনির আয়োজন করে। এই অনুষ্ঠানে আরো যেসব স্কুল অংশগ্রহন করে সে সব স্কুল হল হেগ প্রাইমারি স্কুল,ওকল্যান্ড সেকেন্ডারি স্কুল, থমাস ব্যাল্ফটন,স্টেবন প্রাইমারি স্কুল। ভার্জিনিয়া প্রাইমারি স্কুল।ক্যানারি ওয়ার্ক কলেজ।

সহোদর দত্তক শিশুদের

জন্যে নতুন সার্ভিস

সহোদর দত্তক শিশুদের পৃথক না রেখে একই পরিবারে রাখার জন্যে উৎসাহিত করার লক্ষ্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল, কাউন্টি কাউন্সিল এবং ফস্টারিং চ্যারিটিগুলোর পক্ষ থেকে সার্ভিস চালু করার উদ্যোগ নেয়া হয়েছে।

জাতীয় ভাবে ৫৯% দত্তক পরিবার ভাই-বোনদের লালন পালন করার জন্যে নিলেও দুঃজনক ভাবে সত্য যে সহোদরদের দত্তক নেয়ার যথেষ্ট পরিমান পরিমান পরিবার নেই।

কাউন্সিল পার্টনার্স এন্ড চিলড্রেন টুগেদার (প্যান্ট) এবং অক্সফোর্ড কাউন্টি কাউন্সিলের সাথে চুজ ফস্টারিং নামে একটি উদ্যোগের সাথে যোগ দিয়েছে।

চুজ ফস্টারিং হচ্ছে নতুন একটি সার্ভিস যারা

সহোদর ভাই বোনদের একত্রে রাখার জন্যে দত্তক নিতে চান সেসব পরিবারের লোকদের জন্যে এই সার্ভিসে রয়েছে তথ্য,সাপোর্ট এবং ট্রেনিং এর ব্যবস্থা। ডিপার্টমেন্ট অফ এডুকেশনের পক্ষ থেকে এই প্রকল্পকে আর্থিক অনুদান দেয়া হয়েছে।

এই প্রকল্পের পক্ষ থেকে একটি রিক্রুটমেন্ট প্রোগ্রাম হাতে নেয়া হয়েছে এই প্রোগ্রামের অংশ হিসাবে অক্সফোর্ডশায়ার,বার্কশায়ার এবং লন্ডনের সিনেমা হল গুলোতে ২১ শে মার্চ থেকে ২ সপ্তাহের জন্যে বিজ্ঞাপন দেখানো হবে। এই বিজ্ঞাপন ক্যাম্পেইনের এই - www.choosefostering.org - এই ওয়েবসাইটে দেখানো হবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “যারা নিজেদের পরিবার থেকে বিচ্ছিন্ন হয়ে আসে সেইসব ভাই-বোনদের একই দত্তক পরিবারে রাখার জন্যে আমরা চেষ্টা করি।

এই নতুন ক্যাম্পেইনের মাধ্যমে আমরা বিভিন্ন সংগঠনগুলো স্থানীয় বাসিন্দাদের জন্যে একই সাথে কাজ করতে পারবো।”

চিলড্রেন, ফ্যামিলিজ এবং স্কুলস এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর ওলিউর রহমান বলেন, “বর্তমানে সহোদর দের দত্তক নেয়ার জন্যে পরিবারের চাহিদা বেড়ে চলেছে।

নির্বাচনী প্রক্রিয়া প্রশংসিত

আগামি ২২ শে মে অনুষ্ঠিতব্য মেয়র,লকেল গভর্নমেন্ট এবং ইউরোপীয়ান পার্লামেন্টারি নির্বাচন অনুষ্ঠানের জন্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস উচ্চ পর্যায়ের প্রস্তুতি গ্রহন করেছে যা ইলেক্টরাল কমিশন কর্তৃক প্রশংসিত হয়েছে। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস ভোট জালিয়াতি প্রতিরোধে যেসব ব্যবস্থা গ্রহন করতে যাচ্ছে যা অনেক স্থানীয় সংস্থাগুলোকে ছাড়িয়ে গেছে।

পুলিশ, কাউন্সিল এবং কমিশনের যৌথ উদ্যোগের ফলে ভোট জালিয়াতির বিরুদ্ধে যে কোন অভিযোগ আসলে এর বিরুদ্ধে বিস্তারিত ভাবে দ্রুত ব্যবস্থা নেয়ার জন্যে উদ্যোগ নেবে। যে সব বাসস্থানে বেশি লোকের বসবাস সেই সব বাসস্থানে ইলেকশন অফিসারবৃন্দ ভোটরদের উপস্থিতি নিশ্চিত করার জন্যে কয়েক বার অকুস্থল পরিদর্শন করেছেন।

পুলিশের বারা কমান্ডার ডেভিড স্ট্রিংগার বলেন, “মেট্রপলিটান পুলিশ এই মর্মে সন্তুষ্ট যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস যৌথ উদ্যোগে ভাল কাজ করে উজ্জ্বল দৃষ্টান্ত রেখেছে আর এ ভাবে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস নির্বাচনে জালিয়াতি চিহ্নিত করে তা প্রতিরোধে উদ্যোগ গ্রহন করেছে।”

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের রিটার্নিং অফিসার জন উইলিয়াম বলেন, “নির্বাচনের মাধ্যমে নির্ধারিত হবে আগামি ৪ বছরের জন্যে কারা কাউন্সিল পরিচালনা করবেন এবং বাসিন্দাদের সার্ভিস প্রদান করবেন। ২০১৪ সালের মে মাসে অনুষ্ঠিতব্য নির্বাচনকে অবাধ ও নিরপেক্ষ করা অত্যন্ত জরুরি। আমরা এ ব্যাপারে সর্বাত্মক প্রতিরোধমূলক প্রক্রিয়া গ্রহন করেছি। আমাদের নির্বাচনি প্রক্রিয়া সারা দেশের মধ্যে ভাল হিসাবে পরিগণিত হবে।”

■ The above stories are: paan leaf imports banned over health concerns; Tour de France trophy visits Tower Hamlets; working to keep foster siblings together; election preparations praised.

ক্যানসার সম্পর্কে সচেতন হোন চিকিৎসা নিন

Spotting cancer early saves lives – 1002

ক্যানসার সম্পর্কে সচেতন করার লক্ষ্যে এবং সুচনা লগ্নে ক্যানসার ধরা পড়লে রোগির প্রান রক্ষা করা সম্ভব হয়ে থাকে এই লক্ষ্যকে সামনে রেখে জাতীয় ভাবে ‘বি ক্রিয়ার অন ক্যানসার ’- নামে এক ক্যাম্পেইনের আয়োজন করা হয়েছে আর এই ক্যাম্পেইনে যোগ দিয়েছে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস।

জানা গেছে,ইংল্যান্ডে ২৪ হাজার লোকের বিলম্বিত ক্যানসার চিহ্নিত করা হয়ে থাকে। ২০১২ সালের ক্যাম্পেইনের ফলে ৭ শত লোকের লাঙ্গস ক্যানসার সনাক্ত করা হয় এবং ৩ শত জনের বেশি লোকের প্রান

রক্ষার জন্যে চিকিৎসা করা হয়।

স্থানীয় ভাবে ষ্মলছি ক্যানসার ক্যাম্পেইন সচেতনতা বৃদ্ধিতে সহায়তা করে যাতে রোগিরা জীবন রক্ষাকারি সার্জারি গ্রহন করতে পারেন। পাবলিক হেলথের পেশাদার কর্মকর্তা,স্থানীয় জিপি,ফার্মাসিস্ট এবং কমিউনিটি গ্রুপের যৌথ উদ্যোগে এই ক্যাম্পেইন পরিচালনা করা হয়।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে প্রতি বছর ১শত জন কে ক্যানসার আক্রান্ত হিসাবে সনাক্ত করা হয় এবং এর মধ্যে ৯০ জনেরই প্রানহানি ঘটে থাকে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহম-

ান বলেন,স্থানীয় ভাবে অনেক লোকের লাঙ্গস ক্যানসার হয়ে থাকে যা চিন্তার বাইরে। ধূমপানের কারনে এই রোগ হয়ে থাকে তাই আমরা ধূমপান নিরোধ অভিযান পরিচালনা করে আসছি।”

হেলথ এন্ড ওয়েলবিয়িং এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর আব্দুল আসাদ বলেন, “কারো যদি কফ হয়ে থাকে এবং তা তিন সপ্তাহ বা এর অধিক সময় এর জন্যে তাহলেএকটি ছোট পদক্ষেপ নিলে বুকি অনেকটা কমে যায় যেমন ধূমপান বা মদ্যপান পরিত্যাগ করা এবং বেশি পরিমানে ফলমূল এবং শাক-সব্জী

Celebrity chef Ainsley Harriott whipped up a storm with the launch of Taste Brick Lane, a new campaign promoting the iconic curry mile as a premier tourist destination. **Shalina Hussain** joined the crowds with photographer **Rehan Jamil**.

Spice is right for Ainsley

(Top, l-r) Ainsley enjoys a pint at Saffron; juggler Matt Barnard helped entertain the crowds; service with a smile at Popadoms; another tasting session, this time at Sheba. (Middle, l-r) Visitors enjoying the day's entertainment; performer Abigail Collins; there was plenty on offer at Taste Brick Lane. (Bottom, l-r)

Crowds flocked to Brick Lane for the fun day; Aladin staff receive their winners certificate from Ainsley Harriott; Mayor Lutfur Rahman and Cllr Gulam Robbani

(right) welcome Ainsley; the chef outside Bengal Village.



VISITORS came from far and wide for a taste of Brick Lane's fashion, food and culture at a family fun day organised by the council last weekend, March 23.

Food lovers were

able to get their hands on a free Taste Brick Lane guide, detailing the top places to eat out and entertainment on the day included stilt walkers, jugglers, music, henna artists and face painting for children.

TV chef Ainsley Harriott was invited to judge the Taste Brick Lane Awards 2014 and sampled nine signature dishes from the best curry house in the area to find the top one.

Ainsley said: "It has been a real treat to come down here and try out all these wonderful dishes. Packed with curry houses and with a character all of its own, Brick Lane is my top pick for sampling the delights of the cuisine that has made this street famous around the world."

After all the fun of the food tasting, Aladin was crowned the winner with its Chicken

Stilt walkers Jen, the Roo, and Philipa provided high-end entertainment on the day



(Above) Thumbs up for Brick Lane from celebrity chef Ainsley Harriott

tastes and sights it has to offer.” Visiting New Yorkers Laurel and Peter West giving Brick Lane the thumbs up. Laurel said: “We’ve heard a lot about Brick Lane so we decided to check it out the next time we were in London. There is a great atmosphere here and wonderful culture.”

Jill Frazi from Hull added: “I’ve not been here for a while and it’s great to be back and see how it has changed. It looks cleaner and the fun day is a nice way to bring different communities together.”

Speaking on BBC London radio earlier in the day, Ainsley said how he loved visiting Brick Lane which he described as vibrant with so much for everyone to do.

“It’s just one of those areas of London that when you go into it, it just genuinely fills you with a sense that this a special community, it’s a special street, there’s so much going on,” he said.

To find out more about places to visit in Tower Hamlets go

(Below) Smile please – Ainsley with visitors

to www.towerhamlets.gov.uk



Tikka Blast blowing away the taste buds of the judges.

Chef Sam Kundu, who created the winning dish, said: “I am speechless I didn’t expect to win at all. We’ve been here for 20 years and seen a lot of changes. I look forward to welcoming in new visitors to the area.”

Papadom’s came in second place with Sheba scooping third.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: “Congratulations to the chefs and restaurants that took part in the contest, creating some wonderful dishes. Small businesses are the backbone of our community and have contributed a great deal to our economy. I am committed to promoting all of our town centres, markets and attractions like Brick Lane.”

Cllr Gulam Robbani, who launched the

campaign with Ainsley, added: “This has been a fantastic event and I hope visitors will come back to Brick Lane to explore all the wonderful

A range of services

The council provides many services for residents and businesses. Go to the A-Z on the website at

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

Council information

Tower Hamlets forward planner

TOWER Hamlets Council produces a forward plan every month detailing the key decisions it will take, together with the details of

the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/data/your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm

Meetings

Tuesday, April 1

7pm: Overview & scrutiny committee

The agenda includes reports on a scrutiny review of A&E services and resident engagement with the budget process, as well as a challenge session on youth services. For details call 7364 4333 or email angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, April 2

5.30pm: Cabinet

Business includes an update on the Local List of protected buildings and a report on the response to recommendations made to the Fairness Commission. For details call 7364 4651 or email matthew.mannion@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Tuesday, April 8

6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

For details call 7364 4120 or email simmi.yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, April 9

7pm: development committee

For details call 7364 4877 or email zoe.folley@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Thursday, April 10

7pm: Strategic development committee

For details, contact Zoe Folley (see above). Details are accurate at time of going to press. Agendas are available online a week before meetings, which are at the Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG, except Cabinet.

The Government is changing benefits

Prepare and act now

The Government is changing the benefit system as part of its plans for welfare reform. If you are claiming benefits, you may be affected. Households who are not in work or have low income will be most affected. The impact of these changes could be severe and some households may no longer be able to afford their current housing costs.

Tower Hamlets Council will be providing information and advice to help you prepare for the changes. For more information about the changes visit the government website www.dwp.gov.uk or call our helpline on 0800 800 7000, or telephone 0208 546 4000.

Get information on welfare reform

The council's benefits service can provide information about housing benefit, council tax benefit and entitlement to free school meals. It has compiled a list of helpful agencies at...

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/WELFAREREFORM



Health trainers welcome Northern Irish visitors

A DELEGATION from Northern Ireland visited the Tower Hamlets Health Trainers programme before setting up a similar scheme of their own.

Representatives from the Southern Health and Social Care Trust and Healthy Living Centres plan to set up their own Health Trainer programme as part of the Craigavon neighbourhood renewal. Over the course of the day, they visited the

public health team based at the Town Hall, the Bromley by Bow Centre, the Stifford and Osmari Centres, and Newby Place where the health trainers teams are based and where they are pictured (above).

The visit gave them the opportunity to gain a better understanding of the Tower Hamlets model, which is nationally recognised as very successful.

Drug treatment providers

Community Drug Team

Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment. 71 Johnson Street, E1. 7790 1344 www.lifeline.org.uk

Nafas

Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community. The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1 7377 0676.

Harbour Recovery Centre

In-patient detox for 18+ males. Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14. 7538 9421

Young People's Service

Treatment for under-19s Unit 26, Skyline Village, Limeharbour, E14. 3069 7878 www.lifeline.org.uk

Isis

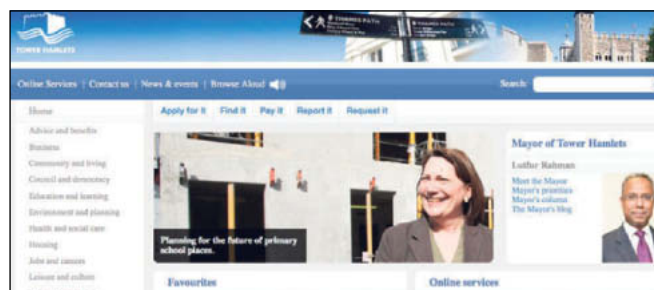
For women aged over 18 c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1. 7426 0399 www.compass-uk.org

Community Alcohol Team

Unit 22, Skyline Village Limeharbour, E14. 0800 008 7200 www.rapt.org.uk

Somali Substance Misuse

Help, advice & referral for people with khat, alcohol or drug issues. Contact Idriis Elmi. Mind in Tower Hamlets & Newham, Open House 13 Whitethorn Street, E3. 7510 1081



Tower Hamlets online

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk

For information on council services, including:

- report a missed rubbish collection
- make a doorstep recycling request
- report an abandoned vehicle
- bulk rubbish collections

Planning

E1
Royal Tower Lodge, 40 Cartwright Street –

application for non-material amendment of planning permission ref. PA/12/02235, dated 31.1.13 – amendments sought are revision to condition to secure minor change to window layout and variation to building entrance of approved building.

E2
118 Cyprus Street – application

for lawful development certificate for single-storey rear extension and single-storey conservatory.

E3
29A Chisenhale Road – fell one sycamore tree in garden.

E14
Telehouse Far East, Sites 6 & 8, Oregano Drive – retention of temporary hoardings and gates.
237 Westferry Road – application for non-material

amendment of planning application ref PA/11/00963, dated 16.6.11.
South east corner of Cabot Square – erection of kiosk for kitchen use and bar use, pergola and associated works, within Cabot Square.

This is not a definitive list of all current planning applications. For more details go to the council's website at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk and click on Planning & Building.

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GENITO-URINARY MEDICINE SERVICES

The terms by which the London Borough of Tower Hamlets wishes all suitably qualified and CQC registered providers to provide sexual health and genito-urinary medicine services to residents of the borough are available on the council's website at

http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ignl/health_and_social_care/public_health/sexual_health/sexual_health_suppliers.aspx

These terms provide details of qualifying criteria, price and payment mechanisms. The provision of any sexual health or contraceptive services to Tower Hamlets residents from the 1st April 2014 is undertaken on the basis of acceptance of these terms.

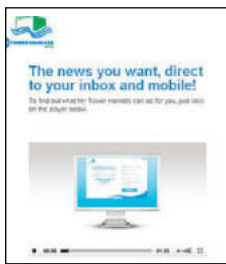
PARENTS DROP IN ADVICE SESSION

If your child is interested in an Apprenticeship or looking for a good alternative to university, visit our drop in session for parents.

April 3rd, 4.30-5.30pm
Central Foundation Girls' School,
College Terrace Centre (not main school site), E3 5AW

Event organised by London Borough of Tower Hamlets and supported by KPMG, PwC, Building Lives, City Gateway and Tech City Stars.





Register now for free news

Tower Hamlets residents can register for the free news and consultation service giving updates on subjects they choose as often as they want them. For more information visit...

MY.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK



Did you get it?

Last week's oddities photo was taken in Cock Hill Road, E1.

Council information

Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place,
5 Clove Crescent, E14 2BG.
7364 5000

Hotline numbers

Housing benefits – 7364 5001
Council tax – 7364 5002
Parking services – 7364 5003
Streetline – 7364 5004
Adult social care – 7364 5005
Children's services – 7364 5006
Pest and noise nuisance –
7364 5007
Environmental health,
trading standards & licensing
– 7364 5008
Planning & development
– 7364 5009
Business rates – 7364 5010
Recruitment line – 7364 5011
Electoral services – 7364 0872
Tower Hamlets Homes – 7364
5015
Healthline – 7364 5016

General enquiries

For other council enquiries call
7364 5020.

Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637
Tenancy support – 7364 5544
Housing advice (E14) – 7364 7507
Housing advice (E1, E2 or E3)
– 7364 3558
Homeless service – 7364 7474
Choice-based lettings
– 7364 0244
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you need to contact, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.



DO you know where to find this unusual feature of the borough? Our popular oddities picture poser gives readers the chance to keep their eyes peeled to see if they can spot where our photographers took the pictures. If you have photos of your own you would like to see published in East End Life, email them to eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk or send them to Photo Poser, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. They need to be high resolution, at least 1MB and 300 dpi.

Report it!

To report an incident, use these
24-hour freephone numbers:

Non-emergency crimes – 101
Textphone – 18001 101

If a crime is in progress,
there is an emergency or if
anyone is in immediate
danger dial 999.

The council's domestic
violence team can provide
information, signposting and
referrals to local services.
Bengali speakers available

0800 279 5434 (office hours)
**24-hour domestic violence
national helpline**

0808 2000 247
**Haven Whitechapel (sexual
assault referral centre)**

7247 4787
**Karma Nirvana (Honour
Network Helpline)**

0800 5999 247
**Broken Rainbow
(LGBT domestic violence)**

0845 260 4460
**Black Women's Health
& Family Support**
8980 3503
Rights of Women

(legal advice)
7251 6577

Victim Support Line

0845 30 30 900

**Victim Support Tower
Hamlets**

8555 8254

**NSPCC Child Protection
Helpline**

0800 800 5000

Childline

0800 1111

Shelterline

0808 800 4444

Respect (for perpetrators)

0845 122 8609

**Reunite (advice about
child abduction)**

0116 2556 234

Men's Advice Helpline

0808 8010 327

Samaritans

08457 909090

**Tower Hamlets Mediation
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and impartial advice with
neighbour conflict**

Free service for council tenants
and leaseholders. 7702 8305

Trading standards

Consumer Direct: 08454 040506

Walk-in services

One Stop Shops

Bethnal Green – 1 Rushmead,
off Bethnal Green Road, E2
Bow & North Poplar – John
Onslow House, 1 Ewart Place, E3
South Poplar – 15 Market
Square, Chrisp Street, E14
Stepney & Wapping –
Idea Store Watney Market,
260 Commercial Road, E1.
**Open Mon-Fri, 9am, doors
close at 4.30pm. Sat, 9am,
doors close 12.30pm at
Rushmead and Idea Store
Watney Market only.**

Idea Stores

Bow – Gladstone Place, E3.
Canary Wharf – Churchill
Place, Canary Wharf, E14.
Chrisp Street – Vesey Path, E14.
Whitechapel – 321 Whitechapel
Road, E1. 7364 4332
Watney Market –
Commercial E1. 7364 4332
All open: Mon to Thurs,
9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm;
Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays –
Bow and Chrisp Street
open, 10am-4pm;
Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and
Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

Libraries

Bethnal Green – Cambridge
Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902
Cubitt Town – Strattondale
Street, E14. 7987 3152
All open: Mon, Tues, Weds
& Fri, 10am-6pm; Thurs,
10am-8pm; Sat, 9am-5pm.
**Local History Library and
Archives** – 277 Bancroft Road,
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THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC - VALLANCE ROAD E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, having consulted with Transport for London, made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Vallance Road between its junction with Lomas Street and its junction with Dunbridge Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential carriageway resurfacing works repairs to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Vallance Road (northbound), Bethnal Green Road, Cambridge Heath Road and Whitechapel Road and vice versa

Throughout the duration of the works, and at times when the "one way" and "no entry" traffic signs are covered, the existing one way working in Underwood Road and Buxton Street between its junction with Vallance Road and its junction with Deal Street will be temporarily suspended.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 7th April

2014 to Friday 11th April 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Emdad Ahmed, Highways Asset Management Officer, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6707 or email, emdad.ahmed@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC - CARR STREET E14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Carr Street between its junction with Ben Jonson Road and its junction with East-

field Street as well in Harley Street approximately 20 metres in the westbound direction from its junction with Carr Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential crane works to be carried out on the public highway by Cobra Traffic Management Limited.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Ben Jonson Road, Aston Street, Salmon Lane and Carr Street or Carr Street, Maroon Street, Aston Street and Ben Jonson Road.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate on the following days:

- Thursday 17th April and Friday 18th April 2014;
- Thursday 24th April and Friday 25th April 2014.

And at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Mick Jameson, Network Coordinator, Network Management Team, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6717 or email, mick.jameson@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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STORY BELOW

Changing the climate

Artsadmin is a leader in the arts and environment field, encouraging artists to address climate change in their work.

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Awards for young achievers

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

SOCIAL housing landlord East Thames hosted a community showcase to celebrate the achievements of people who have taken part in its community programmes.

Residents of all ages became entertainers for the evening, which included street dance, comedy acts, singing and a French dance routine.

In particular, the event highlighted the achievements of East Thames' foyer residents,

young people who have faced hardship and have often had to leave their homes before they are ready for independence.

The foyers provide a stable, secure environment where support workers help residents prepare for independent living or return to their family, and help people back into employment.

The event culminated in an awards ceremony to celebrate foyer residents who have worked hard and inspired others.

Among them was Ali, 19, who was forced to leave the family home and has been

at Drapers Foyer in Bethnal Green since September.

He showed guests a bike he built from scratch and a painting he created.

Ali (pictured right with other award winners) had to drop out of his BTEC in science when he became homeless but after moving to Drapers, he returned to the course and now wants to study medicine at university.

"I want to commit to my future. I didn't have a life before I came to the foyer.

"They helped me as much as they could," Ali said.



AN architectural practice in Spitalfields has won top prize in this year's Architectural Journal (AJ) Small Projects Awards.

The design by Chris Dyson Architects for a two-storey extension to a grade II listed terrace at 13 Wapping Pierhead was chosen ahead of 23 other finalists.

The judging panel described it as a "subtle, thoughtful yet mischievous" addition to a Georgian-style terrace which they described as "architecture for architects, yet a building the public would walk by and equally enjoy".

The £1,500 award celebrates the best schemes built with a contract budget of £250,000 or less.



News in brief

Solar power boost

AN arts organisation in Whitechapel has taken a major step towards reducing its environmental impact, by installing 40 solar panels on its rooftop.

Artsadmin, based at Toynbee Studios, Commercial Street, includes office space for more than 20 artists and organisations, as well as a theatre and rehearsal space.

The rooftop system of 40 photovoltaic panels will save around 4.6 tonnes of CO2 per year and generate over ten per cent of the electricity used in the studios.

Gill Lloyd, director of Artsadmin, said: "Our solar panels are a symbol of our commitment to sustainability and the environment.

"We hosted our own Two Degrees festival of art and climate change at Toynbee Studios and are determined to practise what we preach, so we're really delighted to have been able to install this solar panel system."

Enter your garden

THE East London Garden Society is inviting entries for its 2014 Best Garden competition.

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Permit Transfer Scheme: for residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes

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CAR FREE HOMES No on-street residents' parking permits issued

The Council's 'car free homes' planning policy was introduced in Tower Hamlets in the late 1990s to help reduce traffic congestion and better manage the limited supply of on-street parking spaces. This initiative also helps to reduce the level of air pollution from motor vehicles and encourages more people to walk, cycle and go by public transport.

The Transport for London (TfL) Cycle Hire scheme (www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling) and local pay-as-you-go car clubs (www.carplus.org.uk) are also now available in Tower Hamlets to help you get around in healthier, greener ways.

If you live in a car free home, you will not be able to apply for on-street residents' car parking permits, unless you hold a disabled driver's blue badge or are eligible under the Permit Transfer

Scheme (PTS), which is targeted at social rented housing residents. The criteria for the PTS is as follows:

1. applies to residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes;
2. only one on-street resident parking permit per household is permitted;
3. you must have held your on-street car parking permit for at least 1 year prior to moving home;
4. your on-street parking permit must be renewed and **not lapse to remain eligible** under the scheme;
5. the tenant is responsible for providing proof of PTS eligibility to Parking Services (including a duly signed and dated Tower Hamlets Homes or housing association approved tenancy agreement); and

6. the PTS was introduced on (and operates from) 5 September 2011 by Tower Hamlets Council and **is not retrospective**.

Residents in car free homes can apply for a temporary parking permit for visiting trades people for £5 a day. To qualify, written proof of the work to be carried out must be provided, along with the vehicle's details. Each home can apply for a maximum of 20 one-day-permits within a 6 month period.

Alternatively, scratchcards are available for trades people and visitors, providing parking for up to five hours on weekdays and all day on weekends. Households can apply for up to 3 books of 10 scratchcards per year. For permit charges and information, visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking



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Eligibility : Min Client Age 60

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Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

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BEDSIT SELF-CONTAINED FLAT
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One week's advance rent required

Eligibility : Band 3

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1 BEDROOM
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LATHAM HOUSE, CHUDLEIGH STREET, E1
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Property Ref: 29519



1 BEDROOM
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SIDNEY STREET, E1
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HUGHES MANSIONS, VALLANCE ROAD, E1
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£105.42, Weekly - Social Rent
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Property Ref: 29509



1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
HIND GROVE, E14
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Permit parking • Pets with landlords permission
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Property Ref: 29521



1 BEDROOM
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BRIARLY GARDENS, E2
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1 BEDROOM
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Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 4th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

Eligibility : Band 3

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1 BEDROOM
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2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category E
LIPTON ROAD, E1
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted • Ceiling Track Hoist

£133.49, Weekly - Social Rent
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2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BRANCASTER HOUSE, MOODY STREET, E1
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£112.86, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29552



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category E
PAULINE HOUSE, OLD MONTAGUE STREET, E1
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted ,Concierge

£134.37, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29523



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category E
JOHN MCDONALD HOUSE, GLENGALL GROVE, E14
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C,Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted • Stairlift

£156.58, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 29516



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
SALISBURY HOUSE, HOBDAY STREET, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 7th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Permit parking • Pets with landlords permission
One week's advance rent required

£140.72, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 29517



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
SAMPSON STREET, E1W
House • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Residents parking scheme • Pets not permitted

£151.41, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing

Property Ref: 29541



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
JACKMAN HOUSE, WATTS STREET, E1W
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£114.58, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29504



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
SILVESTER HOUSE, SCEPTRE ROAD, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

£136.32, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Affinity Sutton

Property Ref: 29507



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
ST GILLES HOUSE, MACE STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 9th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£117.26, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29501



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
JOHNSON HOUSE, ROBERTA STREET, E2

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 5th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£114.12, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29511



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GEORGE VALE HOUSE, MANSFORD STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£110.66, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29522



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BLYTHENDALE HOUSE, MANSFORD STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£117.87, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29524



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted . Gas cooking only

Advert represents 2 properties
£135.51, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29544



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Gas cooking only

Advert represents 2 properties
£136.00, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29546



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
ANGEL HOUSE, CAMPBELL ROAD, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted
Property managed by Karin H/A

£128.19, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Swan Housing Association

Property Ref: 29525



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GAYTON HOUSE, CHILTERN ROAD, E3

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 5th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Permit parking • Pets with landlords permission
One week's advance rent required

Eligibility : Band 3

£141.64, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 29500



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
PORTIA WAY, E3

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

£134.49, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 29526



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
VERITY HOUSE, MERCHANT STREET, E3

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

£135.03, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 29527



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
CONISTON HOUSE, SOUTHERN GROVE, E3

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

Eligibility : Band 3

£132.55, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 29539



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GRAFTON HOUSE, WELLINGTON WAY, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 6th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets with landlords permission . Children must be aged 10 years or older

Eligibility : Band 3

£142.21, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 29528

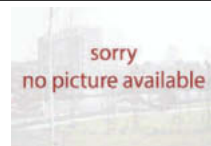


3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GLOBE ROAD, E1

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£139.39, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 29549



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
ALPHA GROVE, E14

House • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

£155.54, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 29555



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
STARBOARD WAY, E14

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted . Priority will be given to One Housing Group applicants

£173.44, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 29554

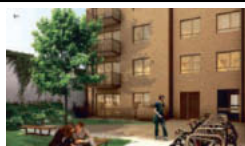


3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
SILVESTER HOUSE, SCEPTRE ROAD, E2

Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

£145.81, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Affinity Sutton

Property Ref: 29506

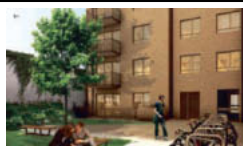


3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 3 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted . Gas cooking only

£146.85, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29532



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 1st floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted .Gas cooking only

£147.34, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29533



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 3 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted .Gas cooking only

£146.85, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29534



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
EDMUND COURT, BOW ROAD, E3

Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted .Gas cooking only

£147.34, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29535

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AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category G
SAILORS PALACE, COMMERCIAL ROAD, E14

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years.

£155.51, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 29542



AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category F
HEREFORD STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time.

£224.52, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 29551



AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category F
LEFEVRE WALK, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Permit parking • Pets not permitted • Life Time.

£198.82, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Guinness South

Property Ref: 29556



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Closing date: 13.04.14

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Closing date: 08.04.14

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Ref: ESW00225-1

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Please contact Island House by email to admin@island-house.org (or tel. 0207 531 0310) to request an application pack. Please return your application form together with a brief covering letter to the Centre Director, Island House, Roserton Street, Isle of Dogs, London E14 3PG by the closing date: 10am on Tuesday 22nd April 2014. Interviews will be held during the last week of April and if successful, you should be available to start in the first full week of May 2014.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – GROVE VILLAS E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit pedestrian traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of footpath in Grove Villas to the northernmost end from its junction with Lawless Street.

The restriction on pedestrian traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public footpath by GUILDMORE Limited.

There are no alternative routes for pedestrian traffic as it is a dead end footpath.

The restriction on pedestrian traffic will operate from Monday 7th April 2014 to Tuesday 7th October 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public footpath pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to John Parsons, Network Coordinator, Network Management Team, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6680 or email, john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 31st March 2014

JAMIE BLAKE
SERVICE HEAD
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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – ADELINA GROVE E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Adelina Grove between its junction with Sidney Street and its junction with Jubilee Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH.

The alternative route for vehicular traffic will be via Sidney Street, Stepney Way and Jubilee Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 7th April 2014 to Friday 11th April 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Tom Rawlings, Road Safety Engineer, Improvement Works Group, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6704 or email, tom.rawlings@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 28th March 2014

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

89 Cheshire Street, London PA/14/246/AWA
First and second floor rear extension

29 New Road, London, E1 1HE PA/14/525 & 526/MCH
Change of use of the basement from D1 (non-residential institution) to B1(a) (offices) and the construction of a steel staircase within the front lightwell (with a new cast iron gate within the existing front trellis) to allow direct access into the basement from street level.

The Narrow, 44 Narrow Street, London, E14 8DQ PA/14/475/LAB
Replacement of existing illuminated, non illuminated and painted signs.

13 Wilkes Street, London, E1 6QF PA/14/557/KHA
Internal alterations at Third Floor to provide a new shower room and toilet.

399A Roman Road, London, E3 5QS PA/14/198/JTH
Extension of first floor flat by additional one bedroom and proposed second floor with one living and three bedrooms.

2A Sidney Street, London, E1 2HR PA/14/457/AWA
Proposed 4th floor extension and conversion of existing consent PA/12/03259 for the 3rd floor 2 bedroom flat to form 1No. 109 sqm 3 bedroom duplex on 3rd and 4th floors.

448 Hackney Road, London, E2 6QL PA/14/299 & 300/JTH
Conversion of a single family dwelling to 4 units; erection of a roof extension and a rear extension to a 2-storey house plus basement.

Car Park Entrance, Cheshire Street, London PA/14/593/SHT
Infill of car park entrance to create retail unit.

Flat 15, Aberdeen Wharf, 94 Wapping High Street, London, E1W 2ND PA/14/449/SHT
Decking of roof terrace & painting of railing.

Flat 202, Block D, 14 Hertsmere Road, London, E14 4AF PA/14/269/BMC
Alterations to the interior of the property including creation of mezzanine extension between the two existing bedroom mezzanine decks and associated works.

The Canopy, 145 Three Colt Street, London PA/14/524/GMA
Retention of the existing ground floor commercial space and 6 new residential dwellings (4 apartments and 2 townhouses).

Carlton Arms Public House, 238 Bancroft Road, London, E1 4BS PA/14/596/SHA
Alterations and additions, including demolition of the existing first floor, to a two storey public house to provide four new residential units over three and four storeys.

214 Cambridge Heath Road, London, E2 9NQ PA/14/556/LAB
Installation of new doors and glazing into existing arch opening to front elevation, new masonry pier, new render to rear walls and construction of rear boundary wall.

Flat 9, Sulkin House, Knottisford Street, London, E2 0RS PA/14/562/LAB
Part removal of non- load bearing internal wall to create open plan kitchen/dining area/living room. Part removal of non-load bearing internal wall between bathroom and toilet.

269 Whitechapel Road, London, E1 1BY PA/14/278/KFL
Rear extensions at first and second floor level. Creation of a new 1 x 2 bed (4 person) apartment to the rear of the property.

Ferry House Public House, 26 Ferry Street, London, E14 3DT PA/14/592/KFL
Listed Building Consent For Replacement Signage.

21 Flamborough Street, London, E14 7LS PA/14/516/JTH
Replacement of modern kitchen, bathroom window in rear extension with timber casement windows, radiators and installation of internal four panelled timber shutters

113-115 Roman Road, London, E2 0QN PA/14/662/GMA
Basement plus three storey rear extension, roof extension, external alterations and new front entrance to facilitate the conversion of existing 13 bedroom hotel to a 32 bedroom hotel.

355 Commercial Road, London, E1 2PS PA/14/152/MCH
New shop front; and change of use from retail shop to office (internet cafe)

87A Roman Road, London, E2 0QN PA/14/355/SHA
Removal of external steel staircase, removal of defective brickwork and rear extension. Creation of 3 flats and shop unit involving the rebuilding of the rear extension full width of plot.

Ferry House Public House, 26 Ferry Street, London, E14 3DT PA/14/586/KFL
Replacement signage consisting of swing sign, fascia signs and blackboard signs

154-170 Cannon Street Road, London PA/14/638/GMA
Variation to condition to remove old single glazed windows and replacing them with newly fitted Aluminium secondary double glazed acoustic laminated glass upped to 40+ DB.

Tower Vaults, Tower Hill, London, EC3N 4EE PA/14/522/AWA
Removal of sand blinding and replacement of defective waterproof membrane over shopping centre roof. Installation of new acco drainage channel to replace existing pre-cast concrete drainage channel. Re-bed perimeter wall copings and re-point brick work, leave ready for phase 2 'landscaping competition' works by Tower Hill Trust.

Tower Bridge, Tower Bridge Approach, London PA/14/429 & 430/SHT
Incorporation of glazed floor panels in the central section of the 2no. existing high level walkways

8 Hackney Road, London, E2 7NS PA/14/594/GMA
Retention of fascia signage and box projecting sign with amber flashing light.

The following are householder applications and in the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about these applications will be sent to the secretary of state, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

6 Morgan Street, London, E3 5AB PA/14/587/JTH
Rear extension at basement level.

61 Brokesley Street, London, E3 4QJ PA/14/512/NAS
Demolition of existing two storey outrigger and new lower ground extension including the rebuilding of the outrigger.

6 Mile End Place, London, E1 4BH PA/14/573/SHA
Single storey side extension and installation of wide external windowed opening at ground floor level.

53 Senrab Street, London, E1 0QF PA/14/176/SHA
Erection of a single storey rear and side extension, floor area of the existing first floor rear extension to be increased and addition of a second floor terrace with associated works.

26 Durant Street, London, E2 7BP PA/14/598/MCH
Construction of a side infill extension and replacement of modern windows with timber painted softwood windows to the front and rear elevation.

18 Sidney Square, London, E1 2EY PA/14/539 & 540/BEE
Erection of a rear extension over basement, ground and first floor, and amendments to internal layout, fenestration and ground floor main and vehicle entrances.

40 Zealand Road, London, E3 5RB PA/14/447/SHA
Erection of two storey rear extension.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 31st March 2014

OWEN WHALLEY
Head of Planning and Building Control



LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

MAJOR APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 13(4) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 2010 AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT APPLICATIONS.

11 Westferry Circus, London, E14 4HE **PA/14/465/IOL**
Change of use of the part ground, sixth and seventh floors from offices (Class B1) to Family law court (Class D1)

6 Greenwich View Place, London, E14 9NN **PA/14/460/AE**
Installation of six telecommunications dishes and ancillary equipment on roof.

Leamouth Peninsular North, Orchard Place, London **PA/14/302/PRI**
Erection of a part single/part two/part three storey building for temporary use (for 10 years) for marketing purposes in connection with the Leamouth Peninsular development (LPA Ref PA/10/01864/LBTH), including the construction of a temporary site access road associated car parking area for the marketing suite and landscaping

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Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated 31st March 2014

OWEN WHALLEY
HEAD OF PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL



London Borough of Tower Hamlets

Publication of revised Register of Electors 2014

Due to a recent electoral review of Tower Hamlets, I hereby give notice that a revised version of the Register of Electors 2014 for London Borough of Tower Hamlets will be published on 1 April 2014.

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London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Town Hall Mulberry Place
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – QUAKER STREET E1

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The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Tuesday 22nd April 2014 to Friday 25th April 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to the Traf-

fic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Lawless Street between its junction with Grove Villas and its junction with Poplar Bath Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public highway by GUILDMORE Limited.

There are no alternative routes for

vehicular traffic as it is a dead end street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 7th April 2014 to Tuesday 17th November 2015 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to John Parsons, Network Coordinator, Network Management Team, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6680 or email, john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS SPECIAL TREATMENT LICENSES

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT Miss Kushna Begum has applied to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for manicures, pedicures, facials, waxing, threading, head massages and nail extensions. License(s) for the premises Xtrim Sslon, 148 Roman Road, London, E2 0RY.

Anyone wishing to oppose the application must give notice in writing to David Tolley, Head of

Consumer and Business Regulations Service, 6th Floor, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG WITHIN THREE WEEKS specifying the grounds of opposition.

Persons objecting to the grant of a licence must be prepared to attend in person at a hearing before a Committee of the Council.

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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – GREY EAGLE STREET E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in Grey Eagle Street between its junction with Calvin Street and its junction with Quaker Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public highway by JSM Construction Limited.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Quaker Street, Wheler Street and Calvin Street or Grey Eagle Street, Calvin Street, Wheler Street, Commercial Street, Hanbury Street, Brick Lane and Quaker Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 14th April 2014 to Thursday 17th April 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – STEWARD STREET E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, having consulted with Transport for London, proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Steward Street between its junction with Brushfield Street

and its junction with Artillery Lane.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable sewer connection and safe installing of cladding panels to be carried out on the public highway by Balfour Beatty.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Steward Street, Artillery Lane, Gun Street and Brushfield Street or Steward Street, Artillery Lane, Crispin Street and Brushfield Street.

Throughout the duration of the works, and at times when the "one way" and "no entry" traffic signs are covered, the existing one way working in Steward Street between its junction with Artillery Lane and its junction with Brushfield Street will be temporarily suspended.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 21st April 2014 to Monday 18th August 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

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Sport

Conroy scissor kick sets up Westward cup win

BY PETER FAULKNER

River Hawks Osprey 0
Westward Boys 3

WESTWARD Boys under-16s turned on the style to romp to victory in the Echo League's Harry Barker Cup final.

This Premier League battle provided a glimpse of some talented teenagers and River Hawks Osprey took the early initiative, dominating possession without creating a clear-cut chance.

But after 28 minutes left-back Peter Crouch whipped in a free kick from the right and there was captain and man-of-the-match Terry Conroy to spectacularly open the scoring with an acrobatic scissor-kick.

The goal shook River Hawks who were to suffer again ten minutes before half-time when midfielder Ishmael Saidy skilfully stroked the ball to Leon Augustin-St Ville and his pass to Faron Smith was delicately left-footed past the goalkeeper.

After a few match-winning saves from goalkeeper Jake Esquant-Belle, the game was wrapped up with just 15 minutes left.

Ryan Hippolyte ran 25 yards into the goal area and hit a fierce shot that came back off the post and subsequently fell for substitute, Abdou Jeng to slot home the third and final goal.



The triumphant Westward Boys team

Ashley is angry

FC HAMLETS manager Ashley King was fuming after opponents Dagenham United failed to field a team leaving them with another blank Saturday and their title hopes in doubt.

Although they have two games in hand over leaders TLS, King said: "I am not happy at all. We lost the league last season on goal difference for the same sort of reasons.

"The decision is up to the League committee and there is nothing we can do about it, but I would hate to lose the league on goal difference again."

Poplar moving on

POPLAR United made it three consecutive games unbeaten defeating **Newark** in the second phase of the Community Football League to moves into second place in Division One.

Poplar attacked non-stop in the first 20 minutes and in the 25th minute a corner was flicked

on to Shajim who scored acrobatically.

A change was made at half-time and Poplar applied the pressure again with on-the-hour substitute Ruhel heading in a corner to make it 2-0.

Premier Division: Shadwell 0 – Mohammedan SC 2; SYA 0 – E7 Probashi 4; FC Bengals 1 – ACE 3. Division One: SOUL 1 – West Ham SC 1; Poplar United 2 – Newark 0; London Central 3 – Shore-ditch 0.

Cows setback

LEAGUE leaders **Tower Hamlets WFC** took on fellow challengers Clapham Kicks in the Greater London Women's Football League Two (North), but their title ambitions took a blow when they lost 3-1.

Clapham went ahead after 15 minutes with a speculative shot.

Natalie Keating smacked one shot against the crossbar for the Cow, but suddenly they were

two down when a fairly harmless shot caught the wind and was blown into the roof of the net.

Clapham then went three up, before Keating scored a consolation penalty.

Stoke reach final

PREMIER side **Stoke Newington** ran out 3-0 winners against Division Two side **AC Nightingale** on Sunday in the Jubilee Cup semi-final which they dominated from the off.

In the last remaining Jubilee Cup quarter-final game, Division One champions Queensbridge beat Premier title chasers Byron 6-5 on penalties after drawing 1-1 after extra-time. They now face Premier leaders Reama.

In the Macca Sports Premier Division **Reama** took another step to the title beating **Hackney Downs A** 11-6.

In Division One **Hackney Downs B** lost 1-0 to **Young Prince** and now have to win all their remaining games to avoid relegation **Young Prince** are fourth and are heading for their best finish in several years.

Promotion hopefuls **St Lucia** lost 4-3 to **Cranes**, denting their second-place chase.

In Division Two, **Hale Rangers** took all three points over **Castrillon** and they will battle it out with **Virtue** for the title.

Both sides have to play **AC Nightingale** in the coming weeks.

Boys need backers

Westward Boys under-16s are looking for sponsors as they bid to turn semi-pro. If you can help, email

Rule book helps Wapping go up

Hockey

WAPPING Ladies first team went into their final match of the season believing they had narrowly missed out on promotion and that victory would only consolidate third place.

But it wasn't until after they had defeated Bromley & Beckenham that they discovered the rule book had given them a surprise return to the East Premier League next season.

Second placed Old Loughtonians second team were expected to occupy the last promotion spot, but their first team already plays in the East Premier League, and the rule book prevents one club having two teams in the same league.

On the pitch, Wapping

grabbed an early initiative when captain Kate Silbermann slipped the ball to Jo Ward on the wing.

She fired an excellent cross into the D and Fran Sutton got the final touch at the back post.

In the second half, Bromley & Beckenham were awarded a spate of short corners, but Wapping goalkeeper Karen Perkins was equal to the shots.

As the final ten minutes approached, Wapping launched a fast counter attack, which saw Ward lift the ball over the goalkeeper and into the net via a deflection off a defender.

In the last few minutes, Bromley & Beckenham were awarded another short corner which they converted with a well worked routine but it was too little too late.



Millwall's first team have signed a sponsorship deal with Canary Wharf-based estate agents Chattels of London who will provide kit and equipment and help the development of the club, including the formation of a minis section.

Millwall turn on the style

Rugby

Kings Cross Steelers 0
Millwall 75

MILLWALL Rugby Club's first team are assured of at least second place in the Essex 2 League this season – and they did it in real style at Memorial Park.

Millwall started brightly with nice interlinked play and off-loads leading to Matt Hopkins crossing the whitewash for the

first of his hat-trick of tries, George Conway converted.

Then debutant Alessandro Penna scored the first of his brace in the corner and as the Millwall dominance continued Blades and Evans touched down for well-earned tries.

Tries: Hopkins, 3, Penna, 2, Evans, 2, Refaithu, 2, Russell, 2, Blades. Conversions: Conway, 6. Pens: Conway, 1.

■ Not to be outdone, Millwall Llamas also went on a scoring spree beating Ongar 59-5.

Repton hoping for lucky number 13

Boxing

REPTON Boxing Club are a couple of steps away from setting yet another schoolboy boxing record.

Last year they produced seven champions, equalling the record set by former trainer George Bowers' youngsters.

At the weekend they had 14 boxers in the

quarter finals of the National Schools title chase – and emerged with 13 winners.

The club were hoping for similar success in the semi-finals, which were taking place as we went to press.

Quickest and best winner of the day was George Mitchell who won his Class A 37kg contest in two one-sided rounds.

The easiest winners were George Ellis,

Harvey Smith, Frank Baker, John Lee, Johnny Johnson and Gary Haffenden because they all got byes into the semi-finals.

There were points wins for Jessie Beck, Henry Turner, Adam Mohammad, Jamal Khan, Jake Henty and Isaac Johnson.

The only loser was Thomas Rolfe, who was on the wrong end of a points decision.



Need for Speed

Venture Cup boats will arrive at St Katharine Docks on June 4.

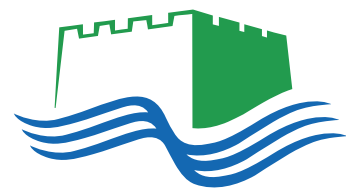
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Repton after new record

Repton Boxing Club are chasing a schoolboy title record. Last season they had seven champions and now they have an outstanding 13 boxers through to the semi-finals.

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NEWS FROM TOWER HAMLETS COUNCIL AND YOUR COMMUNITY

Docks will host powerboat race

BY PETER FAULKNER

ST KATHARINE Docks marina has been chosen as the home port for the Venture Cup – the world's longest, toughest and most prestigious powerboat race – going from London to Monte Carlo.

The marina will host up to 30 boats, the race control office, media centre and a festival village around the Central Basin and the West Docks.

Competitors will arrive on Wednesday, June 4, and the boats depart at 10am on June 7 for the ceremonial start line – the Greenwich Meridian.

During the 15-day race the fleet will cover over 2,750 miles and visit nine cities in five countries.

The finish in Monte Carlo is planned to coincide with the official opening of the new Monaco Yacht Club on June 21.

Announcing the official home port of the Venture Cup, direc-



Powerboats in full flight

tor Aidan Foley said: "St Katharine Docks sits in the heart of London and as such is a perfect location for the London to Monte Carlo Venture Cup.

"We have been impressed

with the location's capabilities, facilities and enthusiasm.

"As the official Clipper Race start and finish port the marina has proven its ability to host a prestige event such as ours.

"The site is full of character and we plan to moor our fleet around the marinas to create maximum impact for the viewing public."

William Bowman, marina director, said: "We are thrilled to be welcoming the Formula 1 of the powerboat world.

"Last year we cheered the Clipper Race yachts as they departed for their round the world race. It is perfectly fitting to be waving off another example of excellence in sporting endeavours, the Venture Cup fleet."

Last year the round-the-world Clipper Race began at St Katharine Docks.



EAST London's stick fighting specialist Mohibur Rahman Shamim is planning an Italian Job this summer.

The 40-year-old father of four boys has qualified for the world stick fighting championships in Rome after a superb performance in the British championships in Bristol.

Shamim, from Stepney, finished the event as British champion, picking up a gold medal after three cracking bouts. In doing so, he qualified for the British team for the world championships in Italy this summer and stands a great chance of picking up more silverware. Shamim teaches doce pares eskrima, a form of stick fighting, and yaw yan, a Filipino style of kickboxing, as well as other self-defence classes.

For more information call him on 07930 943818.

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The magic of beans

Our reviewer enjoys coffee and cakes in Bow

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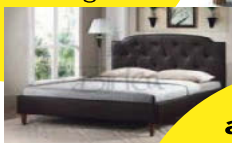
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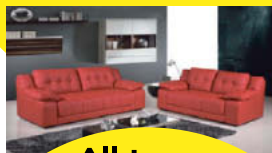
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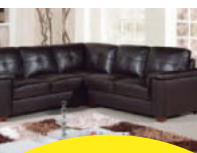
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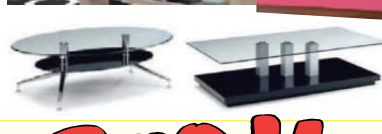


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London Coffee Festival

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Comedy

Canary Wharf Comedy Club:

Stephen Frost's Allstars

Four comedians improvise a full show based on audience suggestions. It's what the Whose Line Is It Anyway? gang – Stephen Frost, Andy Smart, Steve Steen and Ian Copping – do so well. £15. Tues, Apr 15. 7.30pm (doors open at 6.45pm). East Wintergarden, 43 Bank Street, E14. <http://tinyurl.com/p89emvf> or 0871 220 0260 or on the door, subject to availability.

Knock2Bag

Expect sharp sets from a mixed bill of both established and fresh talent: Andrew Lawrence, Gabby Best, Ed Aczel, Will Adamsdale, Matt Ewins, Fern Brady and Darran Johnson. Limited seating on a first come, first served basis, then standing room only. £12, £8. Fri, Apr 25. 7.30pm. Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1. <http://tinyurl.com/nabqg24>

Vintage Dance Club: Simply Ballroom

Join vintage dance experts The Ragroof Players in a ballroom special. Includes a free 'instant dance class' so beginners and experienced dancers can learn new steps or refresh techniques. Live music follows from 11-piece Piccadilly Dance Orchestra. If you don't have a dance partner, you can select someone by marking their 'dance card' during the evening. Tickets £12. Fri, Apr 4. Workshop from 6pm, Dance Club from 7.30pm (doors open at 5.45pm). East Wintergarden, 43 Bank Street, Canary Wharf E14. <http://tinyurl.com/qensah6> or 0871 220 0260 or on the door subject to availability.

Events

The Angela Lansbury Film Festival

The star of Murder She Wrote and more than 50 films is returning to the place she grew up to help Poplar Film celebrate her career. Seven films will be shown, and Dame Angela will take part in an interview with Sir Christopher Frayling, former chairman of the Arts Council and Governor of the BFI. From £7. Sat & Sun, Apr 5 & 6. Spotlight, 30 Hay Currie Street, E14. www.poplarfilmpresents.co.uk

Exhibitions

Daydreams and Diaries: the Story of Jacqueline Wilson

Find out about the author's childhood, early career and what inspires her to write. The exhibition features original notebooks, childhood toys, school reports and diaries, as well as extracts and

illustrations from some of her best-loved books including The Story of Tracy Beaker, The Illustrated Mum and Hetty Feather. She and illustrator Nick Sharratt will be signing books from 11.30am-4pm, Sat, Apr 5. Free, booking required. Until Nov 2. V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8983 5205 mocbookings@vam.ac.uk

Brick Lane by Phil Maxwell

Black-and-white photographs of Brick Lane in chronological sequence, telling the story of volatile social change on one of Britain's most celebrated streets from 1982 onwards. The exhibition is accompanied by a chunky paperback of more than 300 black and white photographs of Brick Lane and its surrounding area. Free. Fri, Apr 3-26. Mezzanine Gallery, Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1. www.richmix.org.uk

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Scale Appropriate:

Sculpture by Michael Lyons

Working predominantly in metals, Lyons' subject matter includes mythological themes, the influence of works of art from ancient cultures, landscape and the forces of nature. Free. Mon, Mar 31-May 23. Daily. On Tues, Apr 29, 6.30-7.15pm, join curator Ann Elliott for a tour of the exhibition. Free. Lobby, One Canada Square & Jubilee Park, Canary Wharf, E14. Email visualart@canarywharf.com to reserve a place.

Sounds from the Park:

A Celebration of Speakers' Corner History

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Philip Pullman chose his 50 favourite stories from the Brothers Grimm, including Rapunzel and Snow White.

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Out & about

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Little Red Riding Hood and Hans My Hedgehog and (bottom right) Philip Pullman

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Theatre

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7515 7799
www.space.org.uk

In This House (A Family Breakdown)

The Masons live at Number 20 Alconbury Gardens. Son Phillip is studying to go to medical school, daughter Lucy is on trial for murder. Join new theatre company Black Balloon in its kangaroo court, for the trial of Lucy. £14/£10.

Tues, Apr 8-19. 7.30pm.
The Space, 269 Westferry Road, E14.

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www.space.org.uk

Inner Yardie: three plays

Award-winning playwright and radio dramatist Patricia Cumper launches her anthology Inner Yardie: three plays. Listen to extracts read from the anthology and take part in a discussion with the writer about the role of post-colonial writing in modern British theatre. Free.

Fri, Apr 11. 7pm.
Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1.
www.richmix.org.uk

Our Friends, The Enemy

Marking the centenary of the start of World War I, this production captures the story of the legendary Christmas Day truce on the Western Front in 1914. One soldier, Private James Boyce, takes us on a magical, haunting journey. £10, £8 concs.

Fri, Apr 18. 7.30pm.
Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1.
<http://tinyurl.com/nm7cpdm>
www.richmix.org.uk

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Spanish soul
Guatemalan singer Gaby Moreno sings in both English and Spanish.

SEE BELOW



Charming, good-mannered beasts...

Next year will be the Chinese Year of the Goat. As one of the 12 Chinese zodiac animals, the goat represents creativity, charm and good manners, and being a perfectionist.

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Get a Life!

Latino soul star to light up the stage at Rich Mix

LATIN American soul singing star Gaby Moreno comes to Rich Mix in Bethnal Green this week.

After a whirlwind couple of years, Moreno won the Latin Grammy for best new artist in November 2013.

Born and raised in Guatemala, she started listening to blues, r&b and soul at a young age – and performers such as Ella Fitzgerald, Nina Simone and Aretha Franklin inspired her to take up singing herself.

She released her debut album, *Still The Unknown*, in 2008 and later that year she was asked to write the theme song for NBC comedy *Parks and Recreation*.

Latina Magazine acclaimed her Best New Latin Artist 2010, and she was the support act for both Ani DiFranco's and Tracy Chapman's world tours in 2009 and 2010.

In 2011, her independently released second album, *Illustrated Songs*, reached No1 in sales on Latin iTunes and Amazon Latin.

In 2012, Moreno recorded a duet with Ricardo Arjona, which garnered two further Latin Grammy nominations and last year she recorded a duet with Hugh Laurie, for his new album *Didn't It Rain*.

Her concert is on Friday, April 4 at 8pm at



Gaby Moreno PHOTO: Shanila Meneddez

Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1.

Tickets cost £15/£18 – more details at www.richmix.org.uk



FORGET the Boat Race – the Oxford v Cambridge Goat Race is the only contest between the two university cities that really matters. Now in its sixth year, the event sees two goats – one named Oxford, the other Cambridge – take part in a dash around Spitalfields City Farm on Sunday, April 6. In previous years the race has taken place at the same time as “the other race” on the Thames but it may be earlier this year as the Boat Race doesn't start until 6pm. Check nearer the time for an update.

Whatever time the race does get underway, the gates will open earlier in the afternoon for the usual bands and other fun, goat-related nonsense. There is an official bookie and sweepstake if you fancy a flutter. All proceeds go to the farm.

Doors open at noon and the race will be some time between 1pm and 5pm. Admission is £10/£1 kids. The farm is in Buxton Street, E1 – for more details call 7247 8762 or visit www.thegoatrace.org

PHOTO Tyson Benson

Dance

Argentinian tango E14

Class. Sat 2-5pm. £5.
St John's Community Hall,
37 Glengall Grove, E14.
7538 3852

Ballroom/Latin American

Fri, 2-4pm, £2.50, 20p refreshments.
Kingsley Hall, Powis Road, E3.
8550 1392

Belly dancing

Beginners classes. Sats, 2-3pm,

£6. Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
07796 850506

Brazilian dance aerobic classes

Weds 9-10am & Thurs, 1-2pm. Free. Alpha Grove Centre, Isle of Dogs, E14.
7538 1714

Energize4Girlz

South African gumboot dancing. Every other Saturday from 11am-12:30pm.

St Pauls Shadwell Church, 302 The Highway, E1.
energize4girlzdance@gmail.com

Green Candle Senior Dance

Over-60s, no experience necessary. Tues, 10.30am-12.30pm, one free taster session. Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7739 7722

Salsa

For dancers of all experience,

followed by dancing until midnight. Prices vary. Every Tues & Weds, 7.30-9.30pm. The Urban Bar, 176 Whitechapel Road, E1.
07932 658861

Zumba classes

Every Tues 11.15am-12.15pm. £1. St Matthias Community Centre, 113 Poplar High St, E14.
7515 8362

Zumba Fitness classes

Open to all adults. Every

Thursday from 7-8pm. Glamis Residents' Hall, 414 Cable Street, E1.
07946 483246
ilona.charles@hotmail.co.uk

Kids

Ballet

Classes every Thurs – ages 3-5 yrs, 3.50-4.25pm, £4; ages 6-11 yrs, 4.25-5.10pm, £4. Alpha Grove Centre, Isle of Dogs, E14.
7538 1714

Deaf after school club

For ages 5-12. Mon-Fri, 4-6pm. Tower Project, 45-55 White Horse Road, E1.
naima@towerproject.org.uk
7790 9085

Kids' Creative Dance Classes

For ages 2-11 on Sat mornings. £44-49.50 per term or £4.50/£5 per term, plus concessions. Chisenhale Dance Space, 64-84 Chisenhale Road, E3
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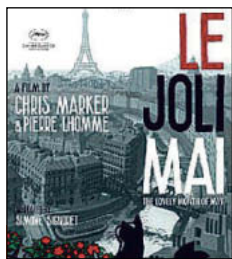
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The Merry Month of May

Chris Marker's fascinating 1963 film *Le Joli Mai* was shot in Paris, interviewing random people on the streets about their lives. It will be screened at the Whitechapel Gallery.

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What's going on?

If you have a date for our Out and About and Get a Life! diaries, send the details to:

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Get a Life!

French past master of film

THE Whitechapel Gallery presents the first UK retrospective of visionary French film maker, photographer, writer and multimedia artist Chris Marker.

Widely acknowledged as the finest exponent of the 'essay film', he directed more than 60 films before he died in 2012, aged 91.

The gallery will be filled with Marker's extraordinary films and photographs for the exhibition which opens on Wednesday, April 16.

Highlights will include all five of his multi-media installations together for the first time, as well as rarely seen photos and a newly re-mastered edition of *Le Joli Mai* (The Merry Month of May).

Originally released in 1963, this film documentary romantically describes Paris through interviews with people in the street, interspersed with a commentary ranging



from the number of hours of sunshine in May to the amount of meat and potatoes eaten by the city's population.

The exhibition is on until

June 22 and entry is free. The gallery is at 77-82 Whitechapel High Street, E1 – call 7522 7888 or visit www.whitechapelgallery.org



Social

3 Bees Café

Healthy vegetarian and fish dish, served for just £3, takeaways available. Tuesdays, 4-8pm. Kingsley Hall Community Centre, Powis Road, E3. 07501 468 193

Asian deaf/hard of hearing people drop-in times

Tues, 10am-1pm, free. Trinity Centre, Key Close, E1. 7790 8478 minicom 7791 0105

Birchfield OAPs club

Mon-Fri, 7-9.30pm; Weds, 1-4pm. 50 Saltwell Street, E14.

Fern Street Settlement Club

Fern Street, E3. 7987 1949

Golden Ladies

Pensioners group for bingo and social. Weds, 2-4pm. Isle of Dogs Bowls Club, Millwall Park, E14. 7987 6824

Little Spitz' under-5s playgroup

Sun, 10am-12pm, 50p. Tours and stories. Spitalfields City Farm, Buxton Street, E1. 7247 8762

Tower Hamlets U3A

Tower Hamlets University of the Third Age offer courses for over-50s to learn T'ai Chi, jazz appreciation, art appreciation, history walking and more. £7.50 yearly membership. Various days and times. St Margaret's House Settlement, 21 Old Ford Road, E2. 7247 4283

Pollyanna Training Theatre
Drama and musical theatre for ages 4-16 in Wapping, E1. 7481 1911

Young & talented?
Performing arts, ages 6 to 16. Sats, 10.30am- 1.30pm. Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2. 8556 5348

Rhyme time
Thurs, 2-3 pm. Watney Market Library, 30-32 Watney Market, E1. 7790 4039

Music

Creative Unity steel band
Steel pan classes Thurs, 6.30-8.30pm. St Matthias Community Centre, 113 Poplar High Street, E14. 07808 847974

Parent & child

Dance play
Dance and movement for parents/carers and their children aged 1-4. Weds, 10-11am. £3.50/class or £2/class

if paid termly. Language of Dance, Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2. 7749 1131

Island Tots
For childminders, parents and kids ages 0-4. Mon-Fri, 1-3pm, term-time. 55 Club, Samuda Estate, Stewart Street, E14. 7538 3292

Toyhouse library
Mons, 1.30-3.30pm, Halley Primary School, Halley Street,

E14. Tues, 2-3.30pm, Cayley School, Aston Street, E14. Weds, 9.20-10.45am, Harry Roberts Nursery, Harford Street, E1. 1-2pm, TH Opportunity Playgroup, 583 Commercial Road, E1. 9-11am, Old Church Nursery, Walter Terrace, E1. 9-11am, Alice Model Nursery School, 14 Beaumont Grove, E1.

Yoga for pregnancy and mums and babies
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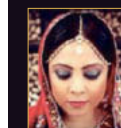
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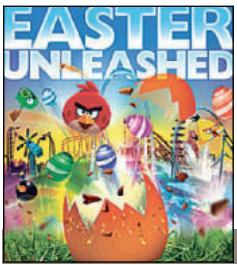
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Angry attack!

Angry Birds 4D Experience will land at Thorpe Park this May.

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EASTENDLIFE.NEWS@TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

Reader offers

Win a year of thrills and free rides

WITH more than 30 thrilling rides, attractions and live events to enjoy, Thorpe Park Resort is the must-do destination this Easter for thrill-seeking families and friends.

The Angry Birds have landed in the nation's most 'Eggs-hilarating' theme park to hunt down their missing eggs. Solve clues to find the Angry Birds characters and win one of 20,000 chocolate Easter eggs.

Plus one lucky person will win front row seats to the world premiere screening of the new Angry Birds 4D experience, flying into Thorpe Park this May.

Strap on your safety goggles and prepare to be amazed by the thrilling world of science as TV's Brainiac Live! team put

the bang into The Big Easter.

Enjoy world class rides such as winged rollercoaster The Swarm; Stealth, one of Europe's fastest, tallest rollercoasters; the 100ft 'beyond vertical' drop of movie themed coaster Saw – The Ride; and inversion coasters Colossus and Nemesis Inferno.

Younger theme park fans can grab their adrenaline apprenticeship on junior coasters X and the Flying Fish, before enjoying rides like the gravity-defying Zodiac and magic carpet ride Quantum. Plus five water rides including the Tidal Wave, Storm Surge and Logger's Leap guarantee the thrills and fun.

Angry Birds Easter Egg Hunt and Brainiac Live! take place from Friday, April 18 to Monday, April 21. Go to www.thorpepark.com



EAST End Life has four annual passes to Thorpe Park to give away.

The prize allows free park entry throughout the 2014 season, plus 20 per cent discount across selected food and retail outlets.

To be in with a chance of winning, answer the question below and send your entry marked Thorpe Park Draw by email or post to the addresses above by 5pm on Friday, April 4, including your full name, address and telephone number.

Only one entry per household is permitted. Other terms and conditions apply – see www.thorpepark.com

Q. What is the name of the UK's first winged rollercoaster, based at Thorpe Park?

Have your say on SAFETY in BLACKWALL & CUBITT TOWN



Tower Hamlets residents are invited to join the Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed, and Police Borough Commander for a walkabout to look at community safety issues in Whitechapel ward.

The interactive walkabout will focus on how the council and police are tackling youth related anti-social behaviour, drug dealing and misuse in the area, as well as further action needed.

DATE: Friday 4th April

TIME: 4pm – 5.30pm

MEETING POINT: Stairwell of 90-102 Glengarnock Avenue E14

VISITING:

» Glengarnock Avenue » Millwall Park » Mudchute Farm » St Johns Estate



» Residents do not need to register and can just show up on the day



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Notice of the London Community Credit Union Annual General Meeting

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Thursday 3rd April, 2014

Registration begins at 5.30pm and the AGM begins promptly at 6pm.
Refreshments and networking from 5.00pm.

Agenda

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| 01 Reading of notice convening the AGM | 07 Keynote Address |
| 02 Credential Report | 08 Nominating Committee Report |
| 03 Adoption of Standing Orders | 09 Election of Officers |
| 04 Minutes of last AGM | 10 Resolutions |
| 05 Matters Arising | 11 Appointment of Auditors |
| 06 Reports | 12 Adjournment |

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BY GORDON BLUE

THE Coffee Room is a rather gorgeous little escape from the hustle and bustle of Grove Road.

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The menu is simple but enticing, with the counter brimming with generous sandwiches, homemade cakes and glistening pastries. We were hungry as hunters so plumped for a sandwich and cake each, accompanied by smooth, velvety lattes which were pretty much perfect.

All the sandwich varieties on offer were exciting. Roasted butternut squash with goat's cheese, honey and walnuts prompted an explosion of the taste buds and was deliciously satisfying in portion and flavour. Brie, roasted red pepper, pesto and dressed leaves was also extraordinary in the world of sandwiches and knocked anything Subway round the corner could offer into a cocked hat.

Our meat-loving friend practically inhaled an enormous baguette brimming with ham and bacon, beautified with a fresh and herby salad.

Cakes were equally delicious; moist, pretty and varied – we sampled salted



The modest Coffee Room is something to shout about

caramel brownie, lemon drizzle cake, red velvet cake, and date and orange loaf. Stunning the lot.

There's also more to come: the little garden at the back is being prettified ready for the summer, and salads and soups will start to appear on the menu to keep everyone happy, including vegans and gluten-free diners.

The owner also informs me that the room downstairs is going to be made available for community groups such as reading groups, arts and crafts, mum and baby mornings and even wine tasting!

It's hard to find anything to critique, even the re-fit is lovingly done using recycled materials and original fittings.

It is odd though that such a gem is barely even whispered about – no board outside or front signage. In the dog-eat-dog world of catering they mustn't be so modest! They may well be the best thing since sliced (locally sourced, artisan) bread.

Four had a resplendent lunch for just under a tenner each including drinks and afters. I defy you to wait at the bus stop opposite and not be wooed in.

The Coffee Room is at 5a Grove Road, Bow.

A taste of Spain

AS the first charity to create awareness of the link between diet and cancer risk, World Cancer Research Fund produces all kinds of healthy recipes – including offerings for the Great Grub Club, a free club for 4 to 7-year-olds in Tower Hamlets and Hackney.

On joining, kids receive the Passport to Good Health mem-

bership pack and a free quarterly magazine to help them develop healthy habits. For more information visit www.greatgrubclub.com or to sign up call 7343 4200 or email foodsmart@wcrf.org.

This recipe is great for using up leftover cooked potato and vegetables – just chop into cubes and add straight into the frying pan. Provides one of your 5 A DAY.

Leek and potato Spanish omelette – serves 1

Ingredients

100g potatoes, peeled and cubed
1 small leek, trimmed, washed and chopped
2 eggs

2 tbsps semi-skimmed milk
1 tsp chopped chives
1 tbsp olive oil
Freshly milled black pepper

Method

1. Boil the potato cubes in a pan of water for 5 minutes, then add the leek and cook for a further 3 minutes, until just tender. Drain well.
2. Beat together the eggs, milk and chives.
3. Heat the oil in a 20cm/8in non-stick frying pan and arrange the leek and potato over the base. Pour the egg mixture over the top and cook over a medium heat until the edges of the egg mixture start to set.

4. Pre-heat the grill to a medium heat. Place the pan under the grill to set and finish cooking the top of the omelette.
5. Remove from under the grill and leave to stand for a minute before carefully turning out on to a warmed serving plate and cutting into wedges to serve.
6. If possible use a pan with a metal handle, but remember this will get hot under the grill. Don't forget to use an oven glove.

This April a cutting-edge new play, **"DYING OUT LOUD"**, will take to the stage at the brand new centre - **SPOTLIGHT, Langdon Park.**



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- **Young Ambassadors** – a chance to event manage and gain valuable business skills.
- **Our Performance Troupe** which performs in hospitals, homes for the elderly, festivals and at community events.
- **Lamda Qualifications** in drama which carry UCAS points
- **Shows** at prestigious theatres such as the Hackney Empire and the Shaw Theatre
- **Competitions** including Voice Idol, Stars in Their Eyes and Fiorentini's Got Talent
- **Annual Oscar Nights**
- **Parents' Forums**
- **Master classes** including stagecraft, hair & make-up, stage combat and presenting
- **Holiday schools**

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of casting directors, film and TV producers as well as family and friends. Other branches start rehearsing for their show shortly afterwards.

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